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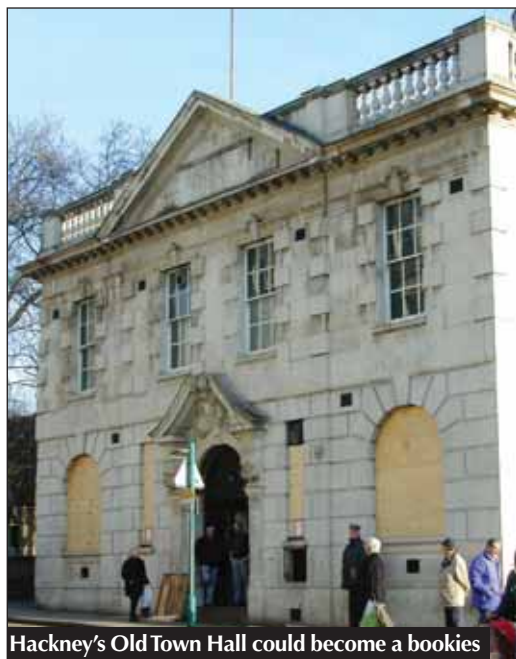
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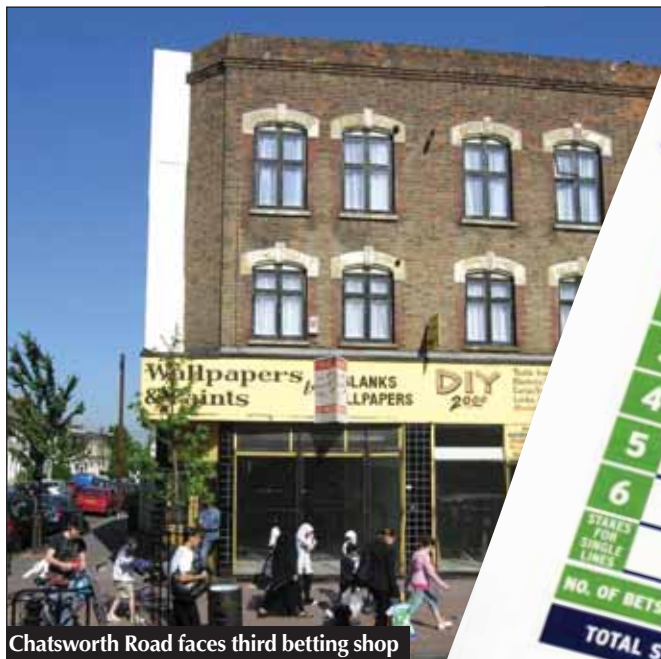
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## HACKNEY VOWS TO BEAT THE BOOKIES



Hackney's Old Town Hall could become a bookies



Chatsworth Road faces third betting shop

**R**esidents fighting to stop a third betting shop opening up in their street have been backed by Mayor Jules Pipe.

The battle is emblematic of a struggle going on across the borough to halt the growing increase in bookies – Hackney already has nearly five times the national average.

Local people took on Essex gambling firm Pridmore, who were seeking a license to open a betting shop in Chatsworth Road, Lower Clapton.

Despite hundreds of residents saying no to a third bookies, and supportive statements from Mayor Pipe, Hackney South MP, Meg Hillier, and the headteacher of neighbouring Rushmore School, the license was granted by Thames Magistrates' Court on 11 May.

However, campaigners are unbowed and have vowed to fight on, taking legal advice on an appeal against the decision.

Mayor Pipe has written to the Government asking it to look again at planning law in order to make it easier for

councils to control the spread of betting shops in their local areas.

He said: "Hackney has 95 betting shops already. The national average for an area is only 20.

"Local people are sick of seeing them spring up on every street corner, and are beginning to fight back.



Mayor Pipe is backing residents

"Betting shops can have a negative effect on the character of an area, but at the moment councils have very limited powers to say no."

The Mayor added: "The residents of the Chatsworth Rd area have worked very hard to protect their local high street and everyone involved is disappointed by the magistrates' decision.

"I will continue to support

their fight if they decide to take the case to appeal. In the meantime I will keep talking to the Government about changing the law to give councils more power to respond to local communities' wishes."

Clapton resident Nick Mathiason, who has led the campaign, said: "If people want to gamble, we don't have a problem with that, but Chatsworth Rd already has two bookies'.

"We don't want another one, especially so near a primary school, as they often attract anti-social behaviour. People here are shocked and disappointed at how our collective voices were undermined and ignored by the court."

The Mayor has also slammed plans to turn Hackney's 19th century Old Town Hall on Mare St, formerly home to HSBC bank, into another betting shop.

He said: "Planning law means the Old Town Hall can be changed from a bank to a bookmaker's without having to ask for planning permission. There is nothing the Council

can do about it."

Local authorities will take on licensing powers over betting shops from magistrates later this month. However, these powers are too limited to give councils any real control over the problem.

By Polly Rance



If you would like to comment on betting shops in Hackney then e-mail: [htnews@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:htnews@hackney.gov.uk)

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# A new dawn for religious education



Youngsters sing 'World In Union' at the launch of new RE curriculum

**A** new religious education curriculum for Hackney schools was launched this month.

It promotes a style of religious education aimed at contributing to community cohesion, especially religious and

racial harmony.

An audience of more than 100 religious and community leaders, teachers and parents, attended the launch at Millfields Community School in Lower Clapton on 1 May.

They heard a moving ceremony led by eight Hackney RE teachers who lit candles and recited poetry, while a choir of schoolchildren performed inspirational songs that celebrated diversity and unity, including 'From A

Distance' and 'World In Union'.

The launch of the new RE syllabus for all of Hackney's non-denominational schools was based around the theme of 'diversity and unity'. Community leaders read scriptural quotations

or stories from the six principal religions about loving God in our fellow human beings.

The new Hackney syllabus contains religion-specific programmes for studying Christianity, Buddhism, Hinduism,

Islam, Judaism and Sikhism. It was agreed by Hackney's Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE).

Cllr Saleem Siddiqui, SACRE Chair, said: "There's nothing quite like SACRE. Our membership reflects the principal Christian churches, and Buddhists, Hindus, Muslims, Jews and Sikhs.

"SACRE also has representatives of the wider community including teachers, headteachers, the British Humanist Association, councillors and The Learning Trust.

"We work hard at unity whilst cherishing our diversity."

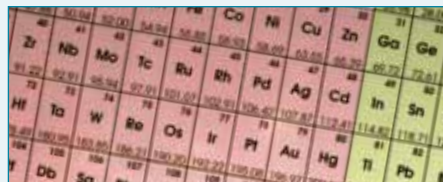
Speaking at the launch, the Trust's director of Learning and Standards, Steve Belk, said: "The new syllabus has been unanimously and enthusiastically adopted by religious communities and other stakeholders.

"We all share a commitment to promoting each child's personal, spiritual, moral, social and cultural development so that they can live full lives and contribute in their turn to our community."

For more information about the syllabus, or religious education in Hackney, visit:

[www.learninglive.co.uk/re](http://www.learninglive.co.uk/re)

By Karyn Michael



## Hackney goes Smokefree on July 1st.

**Fact: Sixty nine of the 4,000 toxic chemicals in cigarette smoke are known to cause cancer.**

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**NHS SMOKEFREE**

## Ready for anything?

VOLUNTEERS are needed to take part in a mock chemical or biological attack to test the readiness of the emergency services.

Free breakfast, lunch, refreshments and transport will be laid on for those who help out with Exercise Springclean.

It takes place on Hackney Marshes, from 10am to 4pm, on June 8, and is centred around a simulated attack on a music festival.

Volunteers would pretend to be injured or contaminated

and may be asked to go through the decontamination process and taken to rest centres elsewhere in the borough.

Cllr Alan Laing, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, said: "As part of our commitment to keeping the people of Hackney safe and secure, we sometimes also conduct major exercises to test our readiness for large scale disruption.

"This is being carried out on the Marshes because of the space needed to park a

large number of vehicles and to provide space for the numbers of people taking part.

"Obviously we will try to keep disruption to a minimum, but we hope residents will appreciate the importance of this exercise."

For more information, contact Marie Hartley, Emergency Planning Officer, on: **020 8356 2186** or e-mail: [marie.hartley@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:marie.hartley@hackney.gov.uk)

By James Willsher



# Summer of love



The Stokefest procession along Church Street

**T**he festival season is nearly upon us! Organisers of Stokefest – the first of Hackney's many annual summer happenings – are gearing up to make this year's event one to remember.

Stokefest '07 is a free, independent, community-led festival of interactive arts, featuring everything from sound systems to acoustic folk, street theatre to visual art displays. This year's festival features the traditional

colourful procession down Church Street, 300 artists performing on six stages and over 100 stalls. And the line-up includes Solution and Gladdy Wax reggae sound systems and Raison d'Etre, and Healer Selecta DJs.

The event attracts thousands of people from across London, as well as Hackney residents. But volunteers are still needed to help out.

To get involved e-mail: [info@stokefest](mailto:info@stokefest). For more info

about the festival programme, visit: [www.stokefest.co.uk](http://www.stokefest.co.uk), or [www.myspace.com/stokefest](http://www.myspace.com/stokefest)  
By Karyn Michael

**Stokefest takes place on 10 June, from 12noon to 8pm, at Clissold Park.**

## In brief

### Win a widescreen TV

HAVE your say at a Hackney Homes event and you could win a widescreen TV.

Everyone attending Morley Hall, in Mare Street, on 24 May, from 2pm to 4pm, and 6pm to 8pm, will be entered in a draw to win the state-of-the-art set.

The aim of the event is to give Council tenants a chance to comment on the ways they can get involved in decisions about their homes and surrounding area.

Hackney Homes currently offers a range of options for people to get involved, including estate committees, tenant and resident associations, mystery shopping programmes, focus groups and surveys.

Book your place by calling: **020 8356 7845** or e-mail: [vince.waddams@hackneyhomes.org.uk](mailto:vince.waddams@hackneyhomes.org.uk)

### Open gardens

CELEBRATE the restoration of a colourful little corner of the borough by attending an open day at Cassland Garden, E9.

The garden's user group has transformed the once-neglected area, and the Council's parks department has invested £30,000 to help bring it back to life. The user group of residents from in and around Cassland Road has also spent hundreds restocking the borders with shrubs and plants.

The open day, featuring a host of stalls and entertainment, takes place on 10 June, from 2pm to 5pm, as part of London Squares Open Day.

### Surgery saved

TROWBRIDGE Surgery in Hackney Wick will remain open following consultation with patients and residents. The practice's future was considered within the City and Hackney Primary Care Trust's proposals for new GP and health care facilities, which took into account residents' views.

Laura Sharpe, CHPCT chief executive, said: "We have listened carefully to these views and decided to keep Trowbridge Surgery open."

### Breath of fresh air

A SCHEME to alert residents to high pollution levels has been launched in the capital with funding from the Mayor of London.

Asthmatics and others who suffer from breathing problems, or heart disease, can sign up to receive alerts which warn them of high pollution levels locally. To register with airTEXTS call: **020 8760 5483**; or visit: [www.airtext.info](http://www.airtext.info)

## Flower power



THE green spaces of Clapton Park estate are set to get the Royal seal of approval when showcased at the world famous Chelsea Flower Show this month.

What used to be barren, often dog-fouled open spaces, have been transformed into vibrant, blooming oases, with the help of residents.

In recognition of their hard work, members of the Clapton Park Tenant Management Organisation (TMO) were selected to create a display at Chelsea.

The garden, designed in partnership with the Grass Roof Company, will recreate the look of the estate 'warts and all'.

The idea is to bring to life a typical green space

in Clapton complete with railings, paving slabs, brickwork, a park bench and even grass borrowed from the estate.

The display will showcase the estate's innovative use of space, which includes creating a football area, communal seating, minimising water use and discouraging vandalism.

Over the past four years, the green spaces in Clapton Park have become valued as areas to be proud of by old and young alike.

"It's no longer railings, walls and fences, but flowers shrubs and grasses. Just waiting for a bus, while looking at poppies, cornflowers and swaying grasses, lifts the spirit", said one proud resident.

The Clapton Park

Flower Power garden is in the Lifelong Learning area of the Chelsea Flower Show, which runs from 22 to 26 May.

By Jane Young

**To win a pair of tickets to see the Clapton display on Friday 25 or Saturday 26 May, simply call Michelle Ormesher on: 020 8356 3527.**





An architect's impression of the Hackney Child Development Centre in Downs Park Road

# New centre for disabled kids



Youngsters help lay the foundations for the centre

**T**HE first bricks of an innovative new centre for disabled children were laid this month, paving the way for improvements to services.

The Hackney Child Development Centre (CDC) will house experts in health, education and social services under one, modern, 21st century roof.

The aim of the building in Downs Park Road, E5, is to provide a 'one stop shop' where families can access services and facilities in an integrated way.

Plans include offering a range of specialist services like therapy and family support, and opening community clinics to youngsters with developmental problems.

Children could go in for an eye or hearing test, or attend a growth clinic,

then receive treatment, which may significantly improve their development and readiness for school.

The CDC is part of a network of services being developed within the borough to respond to children who have complex and multiple needs.

The project is a £6.7million collaboration between the Council, The Learning Trust and City & Hackney Primary Care Trust (CHPCT).

A number of children with special needs and

their families were invited to the foundation laying ceremony on 3 May.

Cllr Rita Krishna, Cabinet Member for Children's Services, who attended, said: "This building is a symbol of the hard work that has been going on behind the scenes to make a difference for our children.

"Parents and carers have been involved in shaping how the building should function, and how services should be delivered, so this facility can provide what they really need."

The CDC will also benefit from being located next to the Petchey Academy, which specialises in healthcare and medical sciences.

Jane Winder, chair of the CHPCT, said: "All the different organisations have worked together to make this possible. That sounds really simple, but it's not simple, and it's a huge credit to staff that this is now happening."

The Centre is due to open next Spring.

By Karyn Michael

## Hackney's green czar



Hackney's first 'green czar' Cllr Sophie Linden

HACKNEY has its first 'green czar' who will be responsible for overseeing environmental issues in the borough.

Cllr Sophie Linden was appointed Cabinet Adviser for Environmental Sustainability at the Council's Annual General Meeting (AGM), on 9 May. The 37-year-old has previously worked for the Home Office on introducing local policing teams, tackling anti-social behaviour and drug

abuse. She said: "I'm delighted to be given this opportunity to work towards making Hackney greener – we have already made huge progress, but there is always more that can be done."

Cllr Linden will oversee an environmental stock take of the Council and its services, to be published next year.

She will examine how feasible a lower-carbon lifestyle is for residents; and

champion environmental awareness in schools.

Mayor Jules Pipe said: "A safer, cleaner, and greener Hackney is one of the Council's key priorities, and the appointment of the new Cabinet Adviser is a clear demonstration of our commitment to developing the sustainability of the borough."

By James Willsher



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# Restoring Stoke Newington's Abolitionist heritage



Olaudah Equiano

Joanna Vassa's restored grave in Abney Park Cemetery



The grave before the restoration

**T**HE grave of a descendant of one of the key figures in the Abolitionist movement has been restored thanks to Hackney Council.

Joanna Vassa was the daughter of Olaudah Equiano, who dedicated his life to ending the Transatlantic Slave Trade, along with more famous abolitionists such as William Wilberforce.

Vassa lived from 1795-1857 and her association with Stoke Newington is well documented. She had a home in Tottenham Road, which is now the site of Our Lady and St Joseph RC School and was married to Congregationalist minister Rev Henry Bromley. The couple were both buried in Abney Park Cemetery, but her grave fell into disrepair and was only rediscovered in 2004.

Arthur Torrington of the Equiano Society said: "So far, we have been unable to find any letters or documents written by Joanna, but the search goes on. We can say that she would have been a well educated woman with a good middle class lifestyle. Because she was married to a preacher, which was a very respectable position in those days, she would have led a good life that her father would have been proud of."

"It's great the Council have restored the grave, because it was in a very bad state after 100 years of neglect. It shows the Council's commitment to the heritage of Afro-Caribbean society."

Abney Park Cemetery Trust arranged the restoration,

commissioning a local stonemason, with funding from the Council.

Cllr Nargis Khan, Cabinet Member for Community Services, said: "Re-establishing Joanna Vassa's headstone means we have a permanent reminder of our local link to such an important period of history."

Equiano's role in fighting the slave trade was all the more remarkable given that he was himself an enslaved African. Born around 1745, he was kidnapped from Nigeria and taken to the west African coast aged 11. Sold to slave traders, he was transported to Barbados, then to America. There he was bought by a Royal Navy Officer, who renamed him Gustavus Vassa, after a Swedish King. After being sold to a plantation owner in Montserrat, Equiano eventually saved the £40 it took to buy his freedom. And in 1767 Equiano came to London and joined the anti-slavery movement.

He lobbied Parliament, was involved in the settlement of former slaves and published an influential autobiography, 'The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano, or Gustavus Vassa, the African'.

Sadly, he did not live to see the abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade in 1807, ten years after his death.

An event to mark the restoration takes place at the cemetery on June 3 from 2-3pm.

By Karyn Michael

## In brief

### Not all's fair

BBC TV newsreader and Stoke Newington resident George Alagiah has called on Hackney businesses to sell Fairtrade goods. Speaking to business leaders last week, he said: "I was a reporter in war zones around the world for 15 years and saw at close quarters what poverty is doing to so many people. "I do believe Fairtrade is part of the solution. Producers get a social premium above a guaranteed fair price, fixed with proper pay rates for those producing the goods, which has to be spent on communal benefits, building up the business, or the local community. "Nobody is holding out a begging bowl. It's about justice in trade for those who produce items sold to us."

"We need to try something different that builds up communities, helps them to grow and be sustainable. Fairtrade is about something for something." George was speaking at a business breakfast organised by the Stoke Newington Fairtrade group. Ian Rathbone, Hackney co-ordinator, said: "George spoke from his heart and we hope that Hackney businesses will take up his challenge as we move towards becoming a Fairtrade borough."

For more info about Hackney Fairtrade call: **07980 654 068**, or e-mail: [ian.rathbone@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:ian.rathbone@tiscali.co.uk).

### Housing giveaway

A mini shopping spree is on the cards for two lucky Hackney residents who won a prize draw at a Housing Advice and Options event held at Ocean in March.

A £50 first prize of Marks & Spencer's vouchers went to Safeya Roshid, of Clissold Road, Stoke Newington. Second prize, worth £30, was won by Susan Redwin, of Overbury Street, Lower Clapton. More than 1,500 visitors attended the event and found out about buying a home, shared ownership, sheltered housing, rent deposits, mortgages and much more. For more info about incentives for moving into private, rented accommodation outside London, call Abby Ariyo, mobility officer, on: **020 8356 5751**. If your home has more bedrooms than you need, please call: **020 8356 5752/5765/5769**.





Clissold Park flying the flag for composting



Signing up for more information



No plastic bags for me

# Compost in the park

WORMS proved a star turn for young recyclers at a family fun day held in Clissold Park to mark International Compost Awareness Week.

More than 500 visitors attended the Compost in the Park event, with youngsters checking out how worms can be put to environmentally friendly use in a wormery.

Three-year-old Sacha won a colouring-in competition, and received a rocket made from recycled materials as a prize, while a bouncy castle, face painting, and a lucky dip entertained other visitors.

The Council's recycling team organised the 12 May event, which was a big success, with orders for compost bins and wormeries flooding in, and composting

workshops also taking place.

Cllr Alan Laing, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, said: "It's so encouraging to see the residents of Hackney taking such a keen interest in home composting – recycling is great, but reducing waste is even better."

"With around 30 per cent of rubbish thrown away in the UK being food waste, composting can play a huge part in reducing the amount of waste going to incineration."

Composting is sometimes seen as a rather unglamorous activity, but as many residents found out on the day, home composting couldn't be easier.

It keeps food and garden

waste out of the general refuse, and after three to six months, kitchen and garden scraps will have broken down into perfect food for the garden.

The resulting compost can be either dug into the garden or mulched on top of the soil.

The Council offers subsidised compost bins and wormeries for all Hackney residents.



The bouncy castle was a great draw for youngsters



What's in the lucky dip?



# Family fun day out

A FREE, fun packed, family event is being held in London Fields as part of national Recycle Now week.

The BeRecreative event on 2 June is a joint effort between the Council's recycling team and Green Champion network.

Building on the success of last year's event, BeRecreative 2007 promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Kids can get busy making their own toys from recycled materials at the 'junk journeys' stall, play on a bouncy castle and have their face painted in favourite designs.

Recycling mascots will also be on hand to meet budding young environmentalists and keep them entertained.

There's plenty to do on the day for adults as well, including making or customising a shopping bag, creating amazing meals from leftovers, and taking a look at green technologies. There will also be hot organic food

on sale, or alternatively bring your own picnic.

Entertainment will be provided by Hackney children, who have attended music, drama and dance workshops run jointly with the Hackney Empire.

They will be performing their own music and dance routines, developed around environmental themes.

Green Champion, Esther Schillinger, said: "It was great being involved in last year's BeRecreative event and this year there will be even more for everyone to get stuck into."

"It's a fantastic way to learn, have fun and make a difference to the environment at the same time."

BeRecreative will be held on 2 June, from 11am-5pm, in London Fields, E8. For more info, visit: [www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling)

By Annie Gilbert,  
Recycling  
Communications Officer



Fun and games at last year's event

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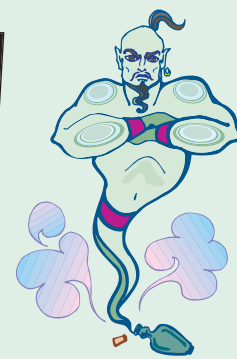
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## The Green Genie

**Q:** Why can I only recycle plastic bottles in the Green Box scheme, why can't I put in other plastic like bottle lids or yoghurt pots?



**A:** The market for recycled plastic bottles is now well established across Europe, with facilities geared up to specifically deal with bottles, as they are in large supply, easy to collect and process.

This is because bottles are made from a good quality plastic, which can be used to make a wide variety of other materials, ranging from drainpipes to decking.

In contrast, the market for other kinds of low-grade plastic – which includes margarine tubs, yoghurt pots and other types of plastic packaging – is weak and there are limited options for recycling. Lids are also often made from a different type of

plastic to the bottle. These cannot currently be collected for recycling and residents are asked to remove and dispose of them separately. This also enables the bottle to be compacted and bulked more efficiently. For this reason, Hackney Council requests that only plastic bottles, without lids, are recycled in Green Boxes and recycling banks across the borough.

To ask the Genie a question, which will be answered in *HackneyToday*, e-mail [recycling@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:recycling@hackney.gov.uk), or write to: Green Genie, Room 47, Town Hall, Mare St, E8 1EA.

# BeRecreative

## A fun family day out

**2 June 2007**

**London Fields, Hackney E8**

**11am – 5pm**

Bring a picnic!

Free face painting and bouncy castle!

- Making musical instruments with recycled materials
- Make or customise your very own shopping bag (Bring your scrap materials)
- Live music, singing and dance performed by Hackney children
- Kids can make their own toys at the Junk Journeys stall
- How to cook with leftovers
- Green technologies
- Organic hot food available for purchase
- Meet the recycling mascots

[www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling)

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# Let your feet do the talking

**P**eople voted with their feet in support of a green drive to leave the car at home and walk to work.

Many Council and NHS staff took part in the first ever London-wide Walk to Work Day on 26 April and were invited to a breakfast at St Leonard's in Hoxton after.

Participants had the chance to sign up to a walking group based at the hospital and get healthy living advice.

Walkers were also given pedometers and personal alarms, by charity Living Streets, to encourage them to continue walking to work.

The event was supported by the City and Hackney Primary Care Trust (CHPCT),

Hackney Council, Transport for London and Greenwich Leisure Limited.

It marked the launch of the Walking Works campaign which aims to show Londoners that a more active daily commute helps people feel better, gain more control over their lives and have less stressful journeys to work.

Council staff continued the theme with two Hackney Walking Days on 10 and 11 May, from different points in the borough to council offices in central Hackney.

Each walk was well supported by staff keen to get some light exercise into their daily routine.

Councillor Alan Laing, Cabinet Member for

Neighbourhoods, said: "It is great to see so many people making the effort to walk to work in Hackney. Walking as part of our daily journeys, or even once a week, brings great benefits for individuals and for the borough, with less congestion and emissions.

"Thank you to everyone who participated in the events over the last few weeks."

To find out more about walking in Hackney call the Sustainable Transport Team on: **020 3556 8069/8189**. For more info about the Walking Works campaign, visit: [www.walkingworks.org.uk](http://www.walkingworks.org.uk)

By Gracia Douglas

## Singing & swinging

SOUTHEND-on-Sea, sing-a-longs, and cinema trips are all on the cards this summer for Hackney's over-50s, as part of the borough's 13th annual Festival for Older People.

Throughout June and July there are more than 40 events planned, including a garden party, reggae dances, and fruit picking.

The festival is launched on 4 June at Ocean, in Mare Street, between noon and 3pm.

Anna Wing, who played Lou Beale in top soap EastEnders, is guest speaker, and visitors can also find out about services to help older residents stay safe, warm, clean, and green in their homes.

Free film screenings will also take place at various venues across the borough, including the Rio Cinema and Hackney Central Library.

Walks on Hackney Downs and Shoreditch Park are also scheduled, as well as activities at the Britannia and Kings Hall leisure centres, and Queensbridge Sports and Community Centre. A community sing-a-long and other musical events are included, while



Getting into the swing of things at a Town Hall tea dance

the festival rounds off with an afternoon ball on 31 July. Cllr Nargis Khan, Cabinet Member for Community Services, said: "Hackney's older residents have helped make the borough the great place it is today, so I encourage people to take part in as many activities as possible."

Tickets for trips to Southend and Brighton, a Reggae and Soca Dancing Night and the Finale, Afternoon Ball can be purchased at the launch event. For more info, call the Community Resource Team on: **020 7275 7092**.

By James Willsher



## Hackney goes Smokefree on July 1st.

A Smokefree Hackney stand offering advice on how to stop smoking and how the ban will affect you appears at the following events:

June 10th Stokefest 2007 – Clissold Park, N16  
June 14th Ridley Road Market, Ridley Road, E8  
July 1st Day-Mer Turkish Festival – Clissold Park, N16

For advice on how to quit call 0800 169 1943 or visit [www.rsq.org.uk](http://www.rsq.org.uk)

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# Running their hearts out

**T**hey didn't run the full 26 miles, but a team of young people from Hackney put in sterling performances for last month's mini London Marathon.

A mixed team of 40 runners, aged 11-17, ran the last 2.65 miles of the marathon from Southwark Bridge to The Mall.

Crowds cheered them along the route as the Hackney team took on competitors from across London's 33 boroughs and around the UK.

Amazingly they all finished in the top third of a total 2304 runners, with outstanding performances by Stanley Harrison (boys 11-12) in 48th place with

a time of 17 mins, 11 secs, David Dryburgh (boys 15-16) 117th, Lauren Wilson (girls 13-14) 148th, and Agathe Chapman Delussy (girls 11-12) who was placed 154th.

Cllr Nargis Khan, Cabinet Member for Community Services, said: "It is inspiring to see young people from Hackney take part and do so well in one of the country's biggest sporting events."

"Their excellent performances might encourage them to pursue running and perhaps take part in the full race when they are older."

By Karyn Michael

Hackney Sports Development is looking for young athletes to represent Hackney in the 2007 London Youth Games.

Anyone interested in applying can attend training sessions at Finsbury Park track on Saturdays from 10.30am to 12.30pm. For more information, call Ishmail Mariche: on 07939 724 295, or Lisa Krockel on: 020 8356 7443.



Charlie Ngombo who came 173rd in the mini London Marathon with Olympic medalist Colin Jackson

## £4million for homeless

HACKNEY has been awarded a £4 million package to help families living in temporary accommodation move into long-term homes.

The cash will be used by the Council to buy properties and provide housing for families as part of the government's Settled Homes Initiative.

Cllr Jamie Carswell, Deputy Mayor of Hackney, said: "Providing more affordable homes is a key priority for the Council, and so this is welcome news indeed."

Approximately 60 homes are set to be bought and converted into quality, settled, social housing, in a bid to help homeless families put down roots and overcome barriers to work and education.



Free screening at the Rio Cinema

Families staying in temporary accommodation in Hackney also enjoyed a free screening of popular children's film Charlotte's Web last month.

Parents and children aged between four and 12-years-old attended the screening – the first organised by the Council's Homelessness Team – at Dalston's Rio cinema on 28 April.

Stalls were set up in the foyer offering

advice for parents and family members on temporary accommodation options, preventing homelessness, and Hackney Choice, the borough's choice-based lettings system introduced last year.

Cllr Carswell added: "The Council is committed to finding solutions to homelessness in the borough, and this event was a great way for families on the register to find out more about what's available for them."

By James Willsher



Advice on preventing homelessness

## Competition



YOUR favourite Disney characters are touring the UK this Autumn in a spectacular ice show and Hackney Today has two family tickets to give away to readers.

Disney On Ice presents Disneyland Adventure featuring Disney/Pixar's The Incredibles is coming to major venues around the country.

### Tour Schedule:

Nottingham Arena 26-30 September  
M.E.N. Arena, Manchester 3-7 October  
Metro Radio Arena, Newcastle 9-14 October  
The O2, London 17-28 October  
The NIA, Birmingham 31 October - 11 November  
SECC Glasgow - 13-18 November

To book tickets or for more details call DB Promotions, Disney On Ice on: 0121 308 4511 and quote Hackney Today.

Described as the most spectacular and original show ever produced by Feld Entertainment, some lucky readers will get to experience it!

For your chance to win 2 x family tickets to the show, simply answer the following question: In The Incredibles, what is Dash's super power?

- A: Holding his breath  
B: Lightning speed  
C: Invisibility

Send your answer along with your name, address and contact number by **noon on 1 June** to: Disney On Ice competition, Hackney Today, Rm 47, Town Hall, Mare Street, E8 1EA; or e-mail: [gracia.douglas@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:gracia.douglas@hackney.gov.uk)

The winner of the Arthur Smith Cut Price/Hackney Empire competition, Issue 156, were: James O Nuainain, E8; Lorna Aspens, N4; & Tony Wren, N16.



Rules: You have to be over 18 to enter. There is no cash alternative to prizes. Transportation to the venue is the responsibility of the prize-winner. Winners names are published in HackneyToday.



## Shape the future of resident involvement in Hackney



**All Hackney Homes residents welcome**

**Thursday 24th May 2007  
Morley Hall, Mare Street  
2-4pm and 6-8pm**



Spaces are limited so please register in advance. To register, call Vince on 020 8356 7845 or email [vince.waddams@hackneyhomes.org.uk](mailto:vince.waddams@hackneyhomes.org.uk)

Hackney Homes has been working to review its resident involvement structure.

This event will bring all your views together to shape the future of resident involvement.

Everyone who attends will be entered into a draw to win a state of the art widescreen television.



## Exercise Springclean



The London Borough of Hackney is seeking volunteers for a live emergency planning exercise to be held at Hackney Marshes, E8 on Friday 8 June 2007.

'Exercise Spring Clean' will test personnel, equipment, communications protocols and procedures around decontamination, as the volunteers will be asked to act as though they have been exposed to a dangerous (for example chemical) substance and go through a mock decontamination process. This will take place on Friday 8 June 2007, 10:00 – 16:00 (latest).

We are looking for volunteers to act as injured or contaminated members of the public. Participants may be asked to go through the decontamination process\*. After this activity, participants will be deployed to Council rest centres or Homerton Hospital. This will enable us to test these particular organisations emergency response procedures.

This exercise will provide an excellent opportunity for participants to understand and experience how a local authority – the London Borough of Hackney's emergency services and support organisations work in a crisis situation.

Volunteers will receive the following:

- Free hot and cold refreshments available all day
- Free breakfast and lunch (religious and cultural needs will be catered for)
- There will be various coach pick-up and drop-off points throughout the Borough, minimising the travel volunteers will have to undertake
- Free emergency planning goodie bag for participants

Please contact Marie Hartley, Emergency Planning Officer on 020 8356 2186 or [Marie.hartley@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:Marie.hartley@hackney.gov.uk) for further information and to register.

### \*The decontamination process:

This will involve separating volunteers according to gender and disrobing into swimwear /modest clothing in separate changing room facilities. Volunteers will then be taken into a decontamination unit and decontamination procedure. They will take a hot shower, after which, they will be issued an exit suit (this is of a thick material and covers most of the body). Upon exit, volunteers will go into a drying and re-robing facility (again, separated by gender) and re-robe in their own clothing.



## Fostering Open Day

**Thursday 24th May, 4 - 8pm**

**Adoption and Fostering Resource Centre  
186 Homerton High Street E9 6AG**

If you have ever thought about Fostering or Adoption and want to know more come to our Open day where we can help you consider whether it would be right for you.

*There will be a short presentation at 4.30pm and 6.30pm.  
Refreshments and Creche facilities will be available on the day.*

For more information contact us on 08000 730 418

[www.hackneykids.org.uk](http://www.hackneykids.org.uk)



## Have your say on draft planning guidelines

There is still time for Hackney residents to have their say on new guidelines for building extensions and making alterations to homes in the borough.

The guidance will ensure homes in Hackney meet the needs of communities across the borough, while preserving and enhancing the character of our neighbourhoods.

Once the guidelines have been finalised, following statutory consultation, they will be published by the Council's planning department.

The Council is proposing greater flexibility in limited areas where there are already large front roof extensions. These 'areas of exception' include roads in Stamford Hill, Queen's Drive and Cricketfield Road.

**Hackney Council began a formal consultation on 23 April which runs until 3 June – giving residents a chance to look at the draft guidelines and give detailed comments.**

### How residents can have their say:

- There have been four informal neighbourhood drop-in meetings held across the borough in May (advertised in the paper at the launch of the consultation)
- One further meeting can be held in each of the four neighbourhood areas (Homerton, Stoke Newington, North East and Shoreditch) if local groups request this.
- The draft guidance is available to view on Hackney Council's website, by going to [www.hackney.gov.uk/consultation](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/consultation) and clicking on the link to the "online database". Residents can respond online.
- Visit the Planning Reception at 263 Mare Street or any of Hackney's libraries to view the draft document online or in hard copy.
- Residents can request a hard copy of the guidance by writing to: Urban Design and Conservation Team, Planning Services, Neighbourhoods and Regeneration, 263 Mare Street, Hackney, E8 3HT
- Alternatively, you can phone 020 8356 8076 or email: [conservation.design@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:conservation.design@hackney.gov.uk)





# HACKNEY Archives

Junction of Mare Street and Amhurst Road. Matthew Rose's shop is on the left, just before it extended into the site of the former Eight Bells pub. Photograph by George James c.1866 (Ref: P10445)



Rose & Sons department store, Mare Street c.1900 (Ref: P00899)



Advert in a Hackney Gazette Diamond Jubilee Souvenir edition in 1924, held in the Local Studies Library

## Are you being served?

Matthew Rose and his young wife first started up a drapery store in 1852, in a small shop in Church Street, on the site of what is now 335 Mare Street.

The business was an instant success, and a year later Matthew was able to employ an assistant.

Expansion continued and by 1868, the old shop had become too small, so was rebuilt and replaced by much larger premises covering 347-57 Mare Street and extending back into 2-18 Amhurst Road. The Amhurst Road entrance made it easier for carriages to park outside – as even then there were parking problems in Mare Street.

Known as 'London House', Rose's store

built up a prosperous business and extensive reputation.

When Mare Street was widened in 1880 'London House' was again demolished and replaced by even larger premises.

By now Rose's had developed into Hackney's principal department store, with 24 different sales sections including carpets, china and glass, ironmongery and house removals.

It was promoted as 'North London's most popular store' and 'the Mecca of all keen shoppers'.

Several hundred staff were employed and the business served a district with a radius of 100 miles.

The Rose family, who had started off in such humble beginnings, no longer lived above the shop, but had moved to a fine house in Loughton, Essex.

Matthew Rose died in 1915 and from then on, the business was managed by his sons Edwin and Albert.

The company survived until 1936 when the store was taken over and rebuilt by Marks and Spencer.

By Sally England, Local Studies Librarian

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## Health advice

by Mary Stuart



**Sleeping for six to eight hours a night is crucial according to experts.**

Getting a good night's sleep can be difficult, but if we don't get enough sleep, health problems are exacerbated.

If you experience problems sleeping, or rely on medication or alcohol to help you go to sleep, it's probably time to have a rethink.

During natural sleep our bodies go into repair mode, stimulating the immune system. If we don't get enough sleep we become irritable and anxious.

Our memory and concentration suffer too. Long-term lack of sleep can lead to weaknesses in the immune system, causing susceptibility to illness and disease.

Blood sugar levels are disrupted and we crave sugar, caffeine and junk food.

We may become depressed, or put on weight. Lack of sleep can also be a factor in aggressive behaviour.

To improve sleep, ensure you are eating healthily and regularly. Avoid eating late, or before you go to bed.

Caffeine is a stimulant, so avoid drinking tea or coffee in the evening. Chamomile tea is recommended.

Make space for relaxation. Try not to go to bed with your head filled with problems or stressful thoughts.

Getting enough sleep is vital for health. The better we sleep, the better we feel. Aim for a regular dose of beauty sleep to improve your overall health.

If you are on medication you must consult your GP before making changes to prescribed drugs.

By Mary Stuart DThd, DNMed, MBANT.

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## have your say



### Planning for the future of Woodberry Down

The estate is going through a major renewal with many exciting developments planned over the next 15 to 20 years.

Residents and businesses can now have their say on the planning application for the Woodberry Down site during a consultation period running from 21 May to 18 June.

The application looks at many different aspects of the £1billion development, including the types of uses proposed, ie business or residential, the number of affordable homes, car parking space, areas of public open space and landscaping.

Your input is valued and there will be a number of drop-in sessions, community briefings, councillor's surgeries and a fun day to get residents involved.

To view the planning application, and for a full list of consultation events visit:

[www.hackney.gov.uk/planning-woodberrydown](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/planning-woodberrydown)

We look forward to hearing from you, so please let us know your comments by e-mailing: [planning@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:planning@hackney.gov.uk); or write to: Freepost NAT 18925, Woodberry Down Planning Application Consultation, 263 Mare Street, E8 3HT. The deadline for responses is 4.30pm on 18 June.

### Home extensions: last chance for your thoughts

Consultation on draft guidelines for residential extensions closes on 3 June.

The guidelines for home owners and landlords applying for planning approval will ensure homes in

Hackney meet the needs of communities across the borough, while preserving and enhancing the character of our neighbourhoods.

The Council began updating the guidelines last year, when many residents and councillors gave their views during an informal consultation process.

Feedback led to changes, which propose greater flexibility in 'areas of exception' including Stamford Hill, Queen's Drive in Finsbury Park and Cricketfield Road in Lower Clapton.

In these defined areas, front roof extensions and larger rear dormer windows will be considered, provided they fit in with design guidance.

If you would like a hard copy of the guidelines, contact Laraine J Rolt on: **0208 356 8076**; or e-mail: [laraine.rolt2@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:laraine.rolt2@hackney.gov.uk)

Or for more information, e-mail: [conservation.design@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:conservation.design@hackney.gov.uk)

You can respond with your comments on the guidelines by writing to: Urban Design and Conservation Team, Planning Services, Neighbourhoods and Regeneration, 263 Mare Street, Hackney, E8 3HT.

Or e-mail: [conservation.design@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:conservation.design@hackney.gov.uk)



# Back to life

## £8 million renovation for Stoke Newington



Architect's impression of new entrance to the Assembly Hall and municipal offices

**T**he much-loved Stoke Newington Assembly Hall is set to be restored thanks to a £8 million Council scheme, by Jane Young.

The building, which was opened in 1937, will be brought back to its rightful position at the heart of civic and community life.

An ambitious renovation project will return the Assembly Hall and Council Chamber to their former glory and create a focus for cultural and social activities in Stoke Newington and beyond.

The grade II listed building on Church Street fell into disrepair and was closed to the public in 1999. In its heyday however, it played a special part in the lives of thousands of residents and visitors.

### The beginning

The municipal buildings, designed by architect J Reginald Truelove in brick and Portland stone, were built between 1935 and 1937 for the Metropolitan Borough of Stoke Newington.

The grand opening on 27 September 1937 was led by the Lord Mayor of London, with music by the Band of the Welsh Guards.

A souvenir brochure said of the new Hall: "It is thought ... that the purpose to which it will be devoted will be 80 per cent dancing; the remainder will be public meetings, concerts, lectures and amateur dramatic performances."

### The war effort

From dishing out gas masks to putting on morale-boosting entertainment, the Assembly Hall played an important role in the war effort.

Stoke Newington Air Raid Precaution (SNARP) newsletters advertised variety shows at the Hall and encouraged the fighting spirit.

Here's an extract from October 1939: "Our aim in Stoke Newington is to do our job well – and certainly

Grand opening on 27 September 1937



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Dancing back in the heyday of the Assembly Hall

Building work for the municipal offices uncovered the site of the old Stoke Newington manor which date back to Saxon times



Architect's impression of the Assembly Hall showing how it might be used for weddings and other public functions

*better than any other borough. This is not in a spirit of bravado, but merely an attempt to prove what can be done when all parties work together in harmony. In this we are succeeding, so it is up to every man and woman to play their part. We have many long and anxious days ahead of us - but we'll pull through."*

You can still see the exterior camouflage used to protect the building during the Blitz. One of the few examples of this in the country, it is listed by English Heritage and will be carefully restored.

### Post war

In the late 1940s and throughout the 1950s the Hall was the scene for popular weekend dances and big band concerts, to the extent that 'Going up Stokey' became the byword for a good night out.

Throughout the 1960s and 1970s it was still a venue for some big name variety shows. The Hall also became a popular venue for celebrations especially among the expanding Jewish and Turkish communities that developed in the area.

### Future plans

The renovation includes plans to build a single entrance into the municipal offices and Assembly Hall. The main grand entrance will only be used for large events.

The building will have disabled access, plus a landscaped forecourt featuring new ramps and steps.

The reception and lobby will be a completely new space, designed to complement and echo the detail of the existing architecture, with a glass roof to maximise natural daylight.

The Assembly Hall together with the public gallery and back rooms will be sensitively refurbished to bring them back to their original use.

The Council Chamber within the municipal offices will also be restored. The original fixed seating will be replaced with lightweight furniture that is easily rearranged and stored to make a flexible space for a range of uses from seminars to weddings.

The building will also feature energy efficient systems, improved insulation and condensing boilers.

An exhibition of the proposals goes on display at Stoke Newington Library from 4 June.

### What you told us

The plans were developed with residents' views in mind. Public consultation sessions at Stoke Newington library last November resulted in some very positive feedback from people who remembered and missed the halls, as well as younger residents who have yet to get the chance to use them.

Everyone was supportive and enthusiastic about bringing the Assembly Halls back to life.

There was popular demand for a vibrant, community space for arts, cultural and social activities, as well as private hire.

This informed the architects brief and they designed a space for a variety of activities including theatre and music performances, film screenings and dancing.

The proposals were also developed in consultation with English Heritage and the Council's Conservation Department.

### Timetable

A response to the Council's application for listed building consent is expected in early Autumn.

A copy of the applications can be viewed at the Planning Reception at 263 Mare St, or on-line, by searching planning applications, at: [www.hackney.gov.uk](http://www.hackney.gov.uk)

Works are due to begin next January and the Hall opened to the public for Christmas 2008. You'll be able to make bookings from September 2008.

### A story to tell?

Help bring the Hall back to life with your own stories, memories and any pictures of the glory days. As the renovation progresses the Council is building an online resource exploring the history of the building.

Do you have a story or photograph to share? We'd love to hear from you. Call **020 8356 8044** or e-mail: [service.first@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:service.first@hackney.gov.uk)



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# Looking to make a *fresh start*



There are affordable homes available for families to rent in the Midlands, Wales and the North of England from councils and housing associations

## *further information*

For more information on the Fresh Start Scheme or to arrange an appointment for an interview, telephone the Mobility Team on 020

8356 5760/5751

or see them at

**Christopher Addison House**  
72 Wilton Way London E8 1BJ





# One world – one borough

## Introducing the new Speaker of Hackney

**C**llr Faizullah Khan's ambition for his year in office is 'to continue to spread the peace and harmony that exists in our borough'.

He says the best thing about Hackney is the fact it is a 'mini world', with virtually all faiths, communities and backgrounds from around the globe reflected in our neighbourhoods.

Here he tells Hackney Today about his hopes and plans for his year as the Speaker of Hackney, by Emma Britton.

**Q: What do you hope to achieve in your role as Speaker?**

**A:** Hackney is a mini world. We have so many different communities and cultures, with more than 200 different languages. There are major Turkish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Asian and African communities living side by side.

We have the largest Charedi community in the world, outside New York and Israel, living in Stamford Hill. There is also a strong Muslim community in the north and a large Christian community in the south of the borough.

More recently we have welcomed Eastern European communities such as Polish and Romanian. We have achieved peace and harmony in Hackney through tolerance and understanding. I hope to continue to expand and develop this.

**Q: Why did you want to take on this role?**

**A:** So that I can become more involved with the communities of Hackney. Belonging to an immigrant community and being an educated person I made myself available to my community when they needed help with language. My family and I set up community schools, community centres, mosques and helped with fundraising.

I've therefore been a volunteer worker and advisor for a long time. I see my role as Councillor for Hackney Downs ward as an extension of my community work, and being Speaker a further extension of that.

**Q: What do you think is the most important thing about being the Speaker?**

**A:** Being able to encourage and celebrate peace and harmony in our borough and being able to spread this message beyond Hackney. As a peace activist I'm involved in local Muslim and interfaith groups. I've visited Pakistan and India, who have been conflicting neighbours in the past, and the Middle East. The communities of these conflicting areas are reflected in Hackney, but here we live in peace.

**Q: What are you looking forward to most?**

**A:** I want all the communities living here and all the businesses and organisations to feel free to approach me if I can help them in any way. I would be delighted to be invited as a guest to community, fundraising and other events, which help bring our communities together. My message to people is don't be shy, get in touch with me. I can't wait to hear from you.

**Q: What did you learn as Deputy Speaker last year to help in your new role?**

**A:** I learnt that the Speaker's role is demanding and I need to be healthy mentally and physically to carry it out to the best of my ability. I've been gearing myself up with a fitness regime and clearing my diary. I've parked my car and

been walking to places, instead of driving, which is helping the environment as well as my fitness. I've been going for a brisk walk after my evening meal around my neighbourhood in Stoke Newington for about 45 minutes. I feel a lot better for it.

**Q: What is the best thing about Hackney?**

**A:** Hackney is a young and ambitious borough where people have the chance to make their lives better and really make something of themselves. There's a spirit here that we've always had which gives something to those who want to improve themselves. Hackney is an inviting place, which is socially alive and warm. It is somewhere we can all be proud of.

**Q: Tell us a bit more about yourself**

**A:** I was born in Rajasthan, India, and moved to Pakistan with my family before moving to Britain in 1966, aged 28. I've lived in Stoke Newington for more than 20 years. I've been married to Sarwar for 41 years and we have three children and five grandchildren, aged from four to 15. I'm a warm and sociable person and I love helping others. I have a real love of history and I'm passionate about participating in intellectual debate.

**Q: What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?**

**A:** I like spending weekends with my family. I encourage my grandchildren to be creative and improve their communication skills so we write poems and stories together. I also like to spend time on my own self-improvement – that is my target all the time. People say we learn from our experiences, but I've learnt that life is too short. We should learn from the experiences of others by reading and observing.

**Q: What charities will you be raising money for?**

**A:** Being socially active among the communities of Hackney, I've been inundated with requests. This is not an easy decision to make. I will choose the charities which serve the communities of Hackney in the best possible way.

## The first citizen

The Speaker performs the civic and ceremonial role for Hackney Council and is the borough's 'first citizen'.

In 2002, residents voted in a referendum for a directly-elected executive Mayor, which incorporates the political role of Leader of the Council and of overseeing the local authority.

Jules Pipe is the current Mayor.

Following the creation of the new post, the ceremonial mayoral position was renamed the Speaker.

The role of the Speaker is strictly non-political and he or she represents the borough at events, meetings and engagements within and outside Hackney. These include visiting community groups, religious services, fetes and civic receptions. The Speaker also presides over

Citizenship Ceremonies, which are held in the Town Hall.

The Speaker also raises money for local charities. If you would like to suggest a good cause, please contact the Speaker's office on:

**020 8356 3359**, or e-mail: [speaker@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:speaker@hackney.gov.uk)

You can find the latest news about the Speaker at:

[www.hackney.gov.uk/speaker](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/speaker)

### Invite the Speaker to your event

Cllr Khan would be delighted to be a guest at functions across the borough. School visits and Town Hall tours are ongoing programmes.

Contact the Speaker's office on: **020 8356 3207**; or e-mail [speaker@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:speaker@hackney.gov.uk); or write to **The Speaker c/o the Speaker's Office, Room 118b, Town Hall, Mare Street, E8 1EA.**

Cllr Khan, the new Speaker of Hackney

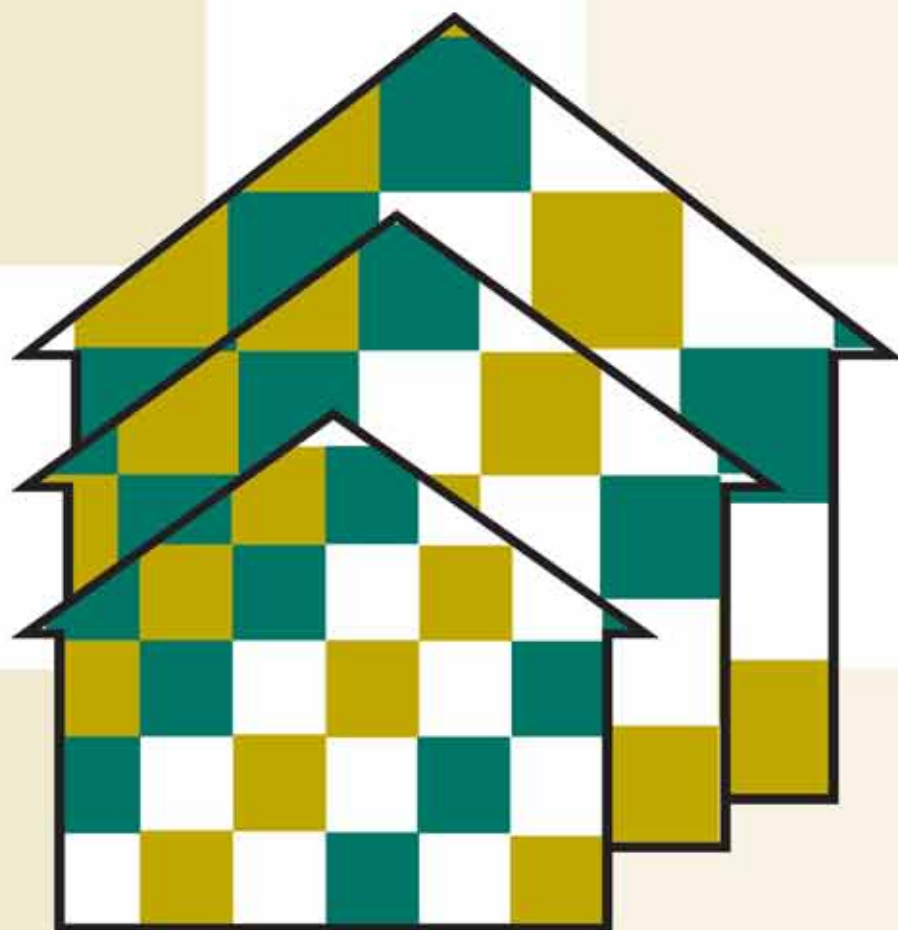


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# Is your home too **BIG?**

## The Underoccupation Cash Incentive Scheme

**We offer cash to Hackney Council tenants who move into a Council or Housing Association property with fewer bedrooms than they currently have and do not need.**



**For friendly, helpful advice about your options, contact:**  
The Mobility Team, Christopher Addison House,  
72 Wilton Way, London, E8 1BJ

**Telephone: 020 8356 5769/5765**

**Please note:** We cannot help you if you live in a high floor home unless you are 55 or older

## Money to help you move





# Follow the black and white road



Pupils practice their road safety skills at Harrington Hill Primary School, Clapton, which recently completed its first School Travel Plan (STP)

## Moves to make Hackney roads safer have won London wide recognition and a prestigious award.

A cut in accident rates and a programme to upgrade all the borough's zebra crossings, helped the Council clinch the London Transport Road Safety Award for 2007.

A drive to ensure all Hackney schools have a travel plan that encourages people to use more environmentally friendly transport was also a factor in winning the accolade.

The Council was praised for its 'excellent results and

some innovative schemes' at the award ceremony on 25 April.

It's worked hard on improving pedestrian safety in the borough, as well as enhancing conditions for cyclists, motorcyclists, car, bus and coach passengers.

Hackney's Road Safety Team has already exceeded its Government set casualty reduction targets for 2010, achieving a 44 per cent reduction in all fatal and serious road casualties, a 56 per cent reduction in fatal and serious child casualties and a 31 per cent reduction in all slight casualties.

In addition, with support from the Road Safety Education Team, 58 out of 97 Hackney schools now have a travel plan.

Cllr Alan Laing, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, said: "This is a wonderful and well deserved accolade for Hackney Council, which recognises the accomplishments of our Road Safety and Traffic and Transportation teams.

"Making Hackney's roads safer is an integral part of the Council's transport vision.

"Significant improvements have already been made in

the borough and we will expand on these in order to meet the high targets we have set for future years."

The awards, organised by Transport Times, are open to all London boroughs and organisations working to make a difference to transport in London.

Hackney has also now been short-listed for the National Transport Awards – winners to be announced in July.

The School Travel Plan (STP) programme aims to cut 'school run' congestion by encouraging pupils, parents, staff and visitors to ditch the car, and walk,

cycle or take public transport instead.

There are now only 39 schools in Hackney without an approved School Travel Plan (STP), but they can take advantage of a series of workshops to help them complete one by March next year.

To book a place, contact Helen Griffin, School Travel Plan Advisor on:

**020 8356 8469**; or e-mail: [helen.griffin@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:helen.griffin@hackney.gov.uk)

For more information on road safety call: **020 8356 2897**; or visit: [www.hackney.gov.uk](http://www.hackney.gov.uk)

By Jane Young

## In brief

### Next stop Hackney

HAVE your say on bus routes and stops in Hackney, as part of a public consultation. The Council is asking for residents views on three issues, to support a response to the London Buses survey. The Council wants to know if residents would prefer all stops to become compulsory, removing the need to hail a bus at Request stops. London Buses also wants the Council's opinion on whether Hail and Ride routes such as the 318, which serves Stamford Hill, should be wheelchair-accessible with new fixed stops. And if you live next to a bus stop, would you like to be informed of any planned changes or improvements to the stop as well as the shelter? For more information, contact Roger Blake, Principal Transportation Planner, on **020 8356 8048**, e-mail: [roger.blake@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:roger.blake@hackney.gov.uk); or write to him at Traffic & Transportation Team, 263 Mare Street, E8 3HT.

### New bus route

AS of next month, two bus routes in Hackney will merge to form a new one. The 817 and 818 routes will be replaced on 4 June by the 816, which will run in both directions between Gilpin Square, in Clapton Park, and the Leyton Mills Shopping Centre. Other bus links will continue to serve the Pembury and Trowbridge estates, which will no longer be covered by this route. The new 816 route will still run at hourly intervals on weekdays, with a £1 cash fare for those without free passes. More details in the next issue.

### Road closed

FOREST Road, off Kingsland Road, will be shut as part of East London Line development works, for the next 12 months.

### Freebie Oysters

OYSTER cards are flying off the shelves thanks to a new campaign to give 100,000 of them away free of charge. In just two weeks, 57,000 cards have been snapped up as part of a drive by Ken Livingstone, Mayor of London, to encourage more people to use them. Mayor Livingstone said: "This campaign is having a real impact. The vast majority of people across London are already enjoying the benefits of Oyster, including cheaper and more convenient journeys - we want to encourage Londoners paying more because they still pay by cash to switch to Oyster."

## Ready to roll

YOU'VE only got to stroll through places like Broadway Market to see that bicycles are the hippest way of getting around these days.

Now a new project has been launched which seeks to tap into cycling's new cool and get more young girls, literally, on their bikes.

Pret a Rouler, or Ready To Roll, will culminate in a fashion show in trendy Shoreditch next month. It will be a chance for young people

to see their work up on the catwalk alongside that of leading designers showcasing innovative new cycle wear.

Workshops are being held at schools across London, including Sir Thomas Abney in Stamford Hill, in preparation for the show. Nine to 10-year-old girls will make a range of cycle accessories out of recycled materials. Their customised bags, t-shirts, reflective belts and trouser clips will then be entered into a competition with prizes awarded during the show. The workshops also

focus on cycle training and discussions about the environment and recycling.

The project is funded by Transport for London plus private sponsors, and coordinated by independent cycle store Velorution, with help from councils' school travel planners.

The show takes place on 21 June at The Village Underground, Holywell Lane, EC2, from noon to 2pm. There will be a second show for the public from 7-10pm. For more info, visit: [www.velorution.biz](http://www.velorution.biz)



Student takes part in cycle fashion project for girls



## A-Z summary of local services

Service	Phone	Service	Phone	Service	Phone
Abandoned vehicles	020 8356 7245	Hackney Archives	020 7241 2886	Older People (Response Team)	020 8356 4678
Adoption and Fostering	0800 0730 418	Hackney Choice	020 8356 2135	Parking Enquiries and Appeals	020 8356 8877
Access Team	020 8356 6262	Hackney Museum	020 8356 3500	Parking Payments	020 8356 8888
Anti-Social Behaviour (8am-6pm Monday to Friday, with out of hours answer machine)	020 8356 3030	Hackney Service Centre	020 8356 3000	Parks	020 8356 8429
Anti-Social Behaviour (Estates)	020 8356 1902	Hackney Today (editorial) or (advertising)	020 8356 3275 020 8356 3445	Payments	020 8356 3000
Crackdown Line (to report a crack den on estates)	020 8356 3333	Highway Repairs	020 8356 2897	Payments (Automated)	020 8356 5050
Births, Deaths and Marriages	0208 356 3000 0208 356 3131 (Deaths)	Homerton Neighbourhood		Pest Control	020 8356 6688
Building Control	020 8356 8124	Housing Office	020 8356 7800	Pest Control (Estates)	020 8356 3691
Business Rates	020 8356 3466	or (Repairs)	020 8356 3691	Planning (General Enquiries)	020 8356 8062
Cashiers Hackney Town Hall	020 8356 3366	Housing - Advice	020 8356 2929	Police (Non-urgent)	020 7739 1212
Cashiers Stoke Newington	020 8356 5119	Housing Complaints - Managed by Hackney Homes	020 8356 5022	Pollution Control	020 8356 4455
Child Protection Issues (Helpline)	020 8356 5546	Housing Benefits	020 8356 3399	Recycling	020 8356 6688
Children's Information Services	020 8820 7590 /020 8820 7583	Housing Repairs	0208 356 3691	Refuse Collection - Bulky Waste Collection	020 8533 7583
Children's Social Care or (Out of Hours)	020 8356 5500 020 8356 2300	The Learning Trust	020 8820 7000	Refuse Collection - Commercial Waste	020 7332 3433
Complaints	020 8356 3770	Leisure Centres	020 8356 3000	Refuse Collection - Hazardous Waste	020 8356 6688
Consumer Advice	020 8356 4929	Library Information and Renewal Line	020 8356 2539	Refuse Collection - Household Rubbish	020 8356 6688
Council Tax	020 8356 3154	Licensing Service	020 8356 4970	Road Safety	020 8356 2897
Council Tax Benefits	020 8356 3399	Lighting on Estates	020 8356 3691	Shoreditch Neighbourhood	020 8356 6705
Councillors	020 8356 3207 /020 8356 3303	Markets	020 8356 3367	Housing Office or (Repairs)	020 8356 3691
Disability (assistance)	020 8356 6262	Mayor (and Cabinet)	020 8356 3220	Social Care Out of Hours Support (after 5pm)	020 8356 2346
Disability (children)	020 7241 0900	Mediation Service	020 8356 4794	Speaker of Hackney	020 8356 3207
Domestic Violence and Hate Crime	0800 056 0905	Mental Health Services	020 8356 4685	Special Educational Needs	020 8820 7000
Drug Action Team	020 8356 2180	Neighbourhood Committees & Forums	020 8356 3373	Sports Services	020 8356 7443
Elections	020 8356 3232	Noise Pollution	020 8356 4455	Street Cleaning and Litter Removal	020 8356 6688
Environmental Enforcement	020 8356 4810	North East Housing N'hood Office	020 8356 6500	Street Lighting	020 8356 2897
Environmental Health	020 8356 4911	Stamford Hill or (Repairs)	020 8356 3691	Trading Standards	020 8356 4929
Fraud Housing Benefits		North West N'hood Housing Office	020 8356 6100	Traffic and Transport	020 8356 2897
Counter Fraud Team	020 8356 2508	Stoke Newington or (Repairs)	020 8356 3691	Youth Service	020 8356 7404/7403
Graffiti and Flyposting Removal	020 8356 6688				

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Get a recognised qualification in just 2 weeks:

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- English (from Entry level to Level 2)
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Qualification	Awarding Body
New CLAIT	OCR
ECDL	BCS
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ITQ	City & Guilds
Accounts	ICB

UK Online Centre  
155 Stoke Newington Rd  
Hackney  
London N16 8BP

Whitechapel Tech Centre  
Suite 1.24  
65 Whitechapel Road  
Aldgate E1 1DU

Marcus Garvey  
Library,  
1 Philip Lane  
Tottenham N15 4JA

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE

#### Chief Executive's Support Officer

£35,592 pa inc.

We are looking for a Support Officer to supervise a small team of support staff in the Chief Executive's Office, working directly to the Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive.

You will supervise the running of day-to-day support for the Chief Executive so that an excellent standard of service is delivered. You will also deputise in the absence of the Executive Assistant. This is a busy office with constant contact with the public, elected Members, leaders of external organisations and senior staff within Hackney Council. The nature of the role requires a high degree of confidentiality, tact and discretion.

You'll be educated to "A" level standard or equivalent. You'll need a track record of managing responsive support services in a demanding environment that promotes customer care. You will be IT literate, a team player, with proven experience of managing staff, managing diaries of senior managers, preparation of briefings, with highly developed verbal, written and presentational skills. Experience of working in the public sector and local government in particular is desirable. Ref: CCS91/49279/HT

#### Chief Executive's Administration Officer

£26,277 pa inc.

We are looking for an Administration Officer to join a small team providing support services to the Chief Executive. The post reports to the Chief Executive's Support Officer.

You will be the first point of contact in a busy and demanding office for the public, elected Members, external organisations and senior staff within Hackney Council. You will be responsible for post, stationery, receiving visitors, answering telephone calls, collating papers for the Chief Executive's meetings and word processing.

You'll need to be educated to GCSE level or equivalent, have excellent IT skills, particularly Word, Excel, Outlook, have a track record in a recent administrative position, be a team player, have the ability to prioritise, with experience of working in an environment of customer care/reception. Ref: CCS92/49280/HT

To apply, please telephone our Response Handling Consultants, TMP Worldwide, for an application pack on 020 7649 6044 or email [Hackney@TMPW.co.uk](mailto:Hackney@TMPW.co.uk) quoting reference, your full contact address and contact number(s).

Closing date for receipt of completed applications for both posts is 1 June 2007.

Interview dates: w/c 11 June 2007.

Through the Local Government Pension Scheme, the Council offer a generous and competitive final salary scheme.

One of the core values of the Council is an unequivocal commitment to the principle and operation of equality in terms of how we deliver the best services to our customers and all the people of Hackney, how we recruit, and how we support our staff. We welcome applications from people who can make that principle a reality.



**Hackney**



Your local councillors

Councillors are elected by the residents of Hackney, and serve for four years. The last elections were in May 2006.

Councillors have a range of responsibilities, including helping oversee Hackney Council and the services it provides.

They all hold ‘advice surgeries’, times when you can meet them and ask them to take up issues that may be of concern.

Generally councillors can help with Council related matters and the services delivered by Hackney Council, although if the matter is the responsibility of another person or organisation they can often point you in the right direction and tell you who you might need to see.

There are 57 councillors covering the borough representing areas called wards. These are below.

Please note some councillors do not hold surgeries in August due to the holidays. Please call the number below to check times and dates.

If you want to know which councillor covers your area call 020 8356 3000. To find out more about Hackney Council and councillors log onto www.hackney.gov.uk.

Hackney’s wards in alphabetical order

1. BROWNSWOOD 2. CAZENOVE 3. CHATHAM 4. CLISSOLD 5. DALSTON 6. DE BEAUVOIR 7. HACKNEY CENTRAL 8. HACKNEY DOWNS 9. HAGGERSTON 10. HOXTON 11. KINGS PARK 12. LEABRIDGE 13. LORDSHIP 14. NEW RIVER 15. QUEENSBRIDGE 16. SPRINGFIELD 17. STOKE NEWINGTON CENTRAL 18. VICTORIA 19. WICK

Advice Surgery on Crime and Community Safety issues Cllr Nkafu 5-6pm 1st Monday of the month, Town Hall, Mare St, E8. Ring 020 8356 3211 for an appointment.

BROWNSWOOD 1 Cllr Darren Parker 1st Friday each month, 9-10am, Robin Redmond Resource Centre, 440 Seven Sisters Road Woodberry Down Estate, N4 Cllr Feryat Demirci 1st Saturday each month, 11am-12.30pm, Amwell Court Community Hall, Green Lanes, N4 Cllr Brian Bell 3rd Wednesday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Kings Crescent Community Hall, off Green Lanes, N4

CAZENOVE 2 Cllrs Stauber & Sharer Each Thursday, 10.30-11.30am, North London Muslim Community Centre, 68 Cazenove Road, N16. Cllr Dawood Akhoun 1st & 3rd Saturday each month, 10am-12.30pm, NLMCC, 68 Cazenove Rd, N16. 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month, 10am-12.30pm, Stamford Hill Community Hall, Stamford Hill Estate, N16. Cllr Akhoonc an visit housebound constituents - call 020 8806 1147 on Saturday 10am12.30pm, or call Members' Services on 020 8356 5000

CHATHAM 3 Cllrs Luke Akehurst, Sally Mulready, Guy Nicholson 2nd Friday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Hackney Town Hall, Mare St, E8 3rd Friday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Jack Dunning Community Hall, Homerton Row, E9 Last Friday each month, 7-8pm, Hackney Town Hall, Mare St, E8

CLISSOLD 4 Cllr Linda Smith 1st Wednesday each month, 10-11am at Hawksley Court Community Hall Cllr Karen Alcock 2nd Friday each month, 6-7pm at Milton Gardens Community Hall, Milton Gardens Estate (disabled access) Cllr Karen Alcock and Linda Smith in rotation 3rd Monday each month, 5-6pm at Burma Court Community Hall, Burma Rd, N16 Cllr Mischa Borris 3rd Friday each month, 6.30-7.30pm Frank Haley Community Room, Burma Court Estate, Burma Road, N16

DALSTON 5 Cllrs Sophie Linden, Nargis Khan & Angus Mulready-Jones 1st Friday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Community Hall, Kirkland Walk, Rhodes Estate, Queensbridge Rd, E8 2nd Saturday each month, 12 noon-1pm, Community Hall, Millard Close, Shellgrove Estate, N16 3rd Friday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, CLR James Library, 24-30 Dalston Lane, E8

DE BEAUVOIR 6 Cllrs Robert Chapman, Gulay Icoz & Christopher McShane 2nd Saturday each month, 11-12noon, Coleville Community Hall, 35 Branch St, N1. 3rd Saturday each month - ward walkabout surgery in the afternoon. You can email the Councillors at DeBeauvoir@hackney-labour.org.uk, or telephone a message to Member Services 020 8356 3207/3350.

HACKNEY CENTRAL 7 Cllrs Samantha Lloyd, Alan Laing & Vincent Stops (on a rota basis) 1st Saturday each month, 10am-11am, Pembury Senior Citizens Club, Hindrey Rd, Pembury Estate, E8 2nd Saturday each month, 11am-12 noon, Wilton Wilton Community Hall, Greenwood Rd, E8 4th Saturday each month, 11am-12 noon, Mountford Community Hall, Cecilia Road, E8 Cllr Laing is also available by appointment at the Town Hall. Call 020 8356 3350/3207 to make an appointment.

HACKNEY DOWNS 8 Cllr Faizullah Khan 1st Saturday each month, 11am-12 noon, Gooch House meeting room, Gooch House (access via Concierge Reception) Kenninghall Rd, E5 Cllr Michael Desmond 1st Sunday each month, 11am-12 noon, Nightingale Estate Office, 7 Olympus Square, Nightingale Estate, E5. Cllr Desmond can also be seen by appointment at Hackney Town Hall, Mare St, E8, call 020 8356 3373 Cllr Sem Moema 2nd Sunday each month, 11am-12 noon, Nightingale Estate Office, 7 Olympus Square, Nightingale Estate, E5 Last Sunday each month, 11am-12 noon, Landfield Community Hall, Landfield Estate, Stelman Close E5

HAGGERSTON 9 Cllrs Afolasade Bright, Barry Buitekant and Jonathan McShane 1st Monday each month, 7-8pm, Shoreditch Town Hall, 380 Old St EC1 1st Thursday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Haggerston Community Centre, Haggerston Rd, E8 2nd Thursday each month, 7-8pm, Fellows Court Community Hall, Weymouth Terrace, E2 3rd Thursday each month, 6.30-7.30pm Goldsmith's Community Hall, Goldsmith's Square, E2 4th Saturday each month, 11am-noon, VLC Centre, Whiston Rd, E2

HOXTON 10 Cllr Claydon McKenzie 2nd Tuesday each month, 5.30pm-7.30pm, The Bell Club, Bowling Green Walk, Pitfield St, N1

The Mayor Jules Pipe Hackney has an executive Mayor, Jules Pipe, who is directly elected by the entire borough. The Mayor is the political leader of the Council, overseeing the budget and all Council services. Civic and ceremonial duties are undertaken by the Speaker of the Council who is elected annually from the borough's 57 Councillor's. Afolasade Bright is the current Speaker.

Cllr Carole Williams 2nd Monday each month, 5.30pm-6.30pm, 16a Malcolm House, Arden Estate, N1 Cllr Philip Glanville 3rd Wednesday each month 6-7pm at the Provost Community Hall, Murray Grove, N1. Cllr Glanville can also be contacted on 07967 116537. 3rd Saturday of every month, 11am-12 noon, The Bell Club, Bowling Green Walk, Pitfield St, N1

KINGS PARK 11 Cllr Sharon Patrick 1st Friday each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Community Flat, 5 Oswald's Mead, Sherry's Wharf, E9 (disabled access). I can visit constituents who are disabled or housebound at other times. Please ring 020 8356 3373 to arrange a visit. Cllr Saleem Siddiqui 1st & 3rd Friday each month, 7-8pm, Vi Forrester Hall (behind the Housing Office), Gilpin Rd, E5 Cllr Julius Nkafu 3rd Saturday each month, 12noon-1pm, Kingsmead Tenants Hall, Templemed House, Homerton Rd E9

LEABRIDGE 12 Cllrs Linda Kelly, Deniz Oguzkanle and Cllr Ian Rathbone 1st Sunday each month, 11am-12 noon, Tenants Association Hall, Beecholme Estate, Prout Rd, E5 2nd Saturday each month, 1-2pm, Wayside Community Centre, 24 Chatsworth Rd, E5 (reduced mobility access) 4th Saturday each month, 1-2pm at the new Community Hall, The Mount Estate, Mount Pleasant Lane, E5

LORDSHIP 13 Cllrs Bernard Aussenberg, Simon Tesler and Mathew Coggins 1st Sunday each month, 11.30am-12.30pm, Peter Collins Memorial Hall, Homleigh Rd Estate 3rd Sunday every month, 2-3pm, Lordship ward councillors, Coggins, Assenberg & Tesler, surgeries will be held at Stoke Newington Library, Church Street N16

NEW RIVER 14 Cllr Maureen Middleton, Cllr Harvey Odze and Cllr Simche Steinberger Cllr Middleton 1st Sunday each month, 11.30am-12.30pm at the Seven Blocks TA Flat, 1 Wyersdale House, Woodberry Down Estate, N4 4th Sunday each month, 11.30am-12.30 pm at Ben Simons Hall, Block 1-66 Lincoln Court, Bethune Rd, N16 If you cannot get to any of the surgeries, call 020 7249 9155 or 07930 575 912 and leave a message with your name and number and Cllr Middleton will return your call as soon as she can. Cllr Steinberger (NEW SURGERY) 2nd Monday each month from 11 June, 4-5pm, at Stamford Hill Library, Portland Ave, N16 Cllr Harvey Odze is available via his mobile 07790 902 513 Mon-Thur only, or members support on 020 8356 3350, letter, or harvey.odze@hackney.gov.uk

QUEENSBRIDGE 15 Cllrs Thomas Price, Emma Plouviez and Cllr Patrick Vernon (on a rota basis) 1st Saturday each month, 12 noon -1pm, Queensbridge Leisure Centre, 30 Holly St, E8 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday each month, 12 noon-1pm, Pensioners Hall, Regents Estate

SPRINGFIELD 16 Cllrs Eric Ollerenshaw OBE, Jacob Landau & Shuja Shaikh (on a rota basis) 1st and 3rd Sunday each month 11.30 am-12.30 pm at Webb Estate Community Hall, Clapton Common, E5

STOKE NEWINGTON CENTRAL 17 Cllrs Rita Krishna, Jamie Carswell and Muttalip Unluer (on a rota basis) 1st, 2nd and 4th Saturday each month 10-11am, Yorkshire Grove Estate Community Hall, Gunstor Rd, N16 (except Bank Holiday weekends) 1st Thursday each month 2-3pm, Halkevi Community Centre, Stoke Newington High Rd, N16

VICTORIA 18 Cllr Daniel Kemp 1st Saturday each month, 10.30am-11.30am, Pitcairn Hall (entrance in Mare St), Pitcairn House, Frampton Park Estate, E9 (disabled access) Cllr Katie Hanson 2nd Wednesday each month, 7-8pm, New Kingshold Community Centre, on the Corner of Ainsworth Road & Primrose Sq, E9 (disabled access) Cllr Geoff Taylor 3rd Wednesday each month 11-12pm, Salvation Army Building, 70 Mare Street, E8 (disabled access)

WICK 19 Cllrs Jessica Webb, Christine Boyd and Christopher Kennedy (on a rota basis) 1st Sunday each month 12 noon-1pm, Wick OAP Hall, Trowbridge Estate, Eastway, E9 3rd Sunday each month 12 noon-1pm, Granard House, Gascoyne Estate E9

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Cllr Akehurst Cllr Akhoun Cllr Alcock Cllr Aussenberg Cllr Bell Cllr Borris Cllr Boyd Cllr Bright Cllr Buitekant Cllr Carswell Cllr Chapman Cllr Coggins Cllr Demirci Cllr Desmond Cllr Glanville Cllr Hanson Cllr Icoz Cllr Kelly Cllr Kemp Cllr Kennedy Cllr Khan Cllr Khan Cllr Krishna Cllr Laing Cllr Landau Cllr Linden Cllr Lloyd Cllr McKenzie Cllr McShane Cllr McShane Cllr Middleton Cllr Moema Cllr Mulready Cllr Mulready-Jones Cllr Nicholson Cllr Nkafu Cllr Odze Cllr Oguzkanle Cllr Ollerenshaw Cllr Parker Cllr Patrick Cllr Plouviez Cllr Price Cllr Rathbone Cllr Shaikh Cllr Sharer Cllr Siddiqui Cllr Smith Cllr Stauber Cllr Steinberger Cllr Stops Cllr Taylor Cllr Tesler Cllr Unluer Cllr Vernon Cllr Webb Cllr Williams





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## LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. \*) ORDER 200\* TRO 198

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 6 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

The general effect of the Order would be:-

(a) to introduce waiting restrictions operating at 08.00am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday s in certain sections of the following roads: Craven Walk, Lingwood Road, Leadale Road and Ashtead Road.

Copies of the Order, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Order are made or the Council decides not

to make the Order, in the reception area, 263 Mare Street, London Borough of Hackney, London, E8 3HT. Further information may be obtained by contacting Traffic and Transportation on 020 8356 8283.

4. Any objections or other representations about either of the proposed Order should be sent in writing to the Public Realm Directorate at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

## LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. \*) ORDER 200\* TRO 197

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 6 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

The general effect of the Order would be to introduce waiting restrictions operating at any time into certain sections of the following roads: Beanacre Close, Brinkworth Way, Cresset Road, Felstead Street, Felstead Road, Merriam Avenue, Prince Edward Road, Retreat Place, Trowbridge Road and Gainsborough Street.

3. Copies of the Order, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date

on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the Order, in the reception area, 263 Mare Street, London Borough of Hackney, London, E8 3HT. Further information may be obtained by contacting Traffic and Transportation on 020 8356 8283.

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## LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. \*) ORDER 200\* TRO 191

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 6 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985.

The general effect of the Order would be to:

(a) introduce waiting restrictions operating at any time into certain sections of Dunston Road,

3. Copies of the Order, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the Order, in the reception area, 263 Mare Street,

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## LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY NOTICE OF INCREASE IN ADDITIONAL PARKING CHARGES

Following a determination by the London Councils Transport and Environment Committee, the Mayor of London and Secretary of State for Transport have approved the following additional parking charges to take effect in London boroughs from the 1st July 2007.

The introduction of different parking penalties introduces to levels of charges payable for a Penalty Charge Notice. As such, the charges issued within the London Borough of Hackney will increase on the above date to:

For parking penalties at the higher rate:

• £120 (Band A) reduced to £60 if paid within 14 days from the date of issue of the Penalty Charge Notice.

For parking penalties at the lower rate:

Please include only those charges relevant to your authority:

• £80 (Band A reduced to £40 if paid within 14 days from the date of issue of the Penalty Charge Notice.

For further information please see [www.hackney.gov.uk/parking](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/parking) or contact Parking direct on 020 8356 8463.

Penalty for contraventions of bus lane regulations - £120

Penalty for a moving traffic contravention - £120

Other additional parking charges are: £70 to realise from clamp; £200 to release from pound; £40 storage (per day); £70 disposal.

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

## TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 ACTON MEWS E8 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON THROUGH TRAFFIC

1. The Council of the London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that they have made an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

(i) Close Acton Mews at its junction with Dunston Road. (Alternative route will be available via Kingsland Road).

2. The Order is required because carriageway works are being or are proposed to be executed at or near junction of Acton Mews and Dunston Road.

3. The Order will come into operation on 21st May 2007 and will continue until the proposed works have been completed with the maximum duration of 18 months. It

is anticipated, however that the order will be required for approximately 3 weeks.

4. The temporary prohibitions will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

5. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

## THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES)(NO. 1) NOTICE OF VARIATION 2007

**Made** 21st May 2007  
**Coming into force** 1st July 2007  
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London borough of Hackney on the 21st May 2007 gives notice under Section 46A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by Schedule 9 of the Local Government Act 1985 and Section 42 of the Road Traffic Act 1991 that it intends to increase the annual charges or the hourly rate for the permit type as shown below:

The new charges will come into force on 1st July 2007. The present parking charges are: £80 for 12 months, £45 for six months, £25 for 3 months With a 25% discount for greener fuels and a free permit for electric vehicles.

Definition of "green vehicle" or an "alternative fuel" For green vehicles in the "Free permit" category: vehicles running on an alternative fuel as defined by the Powershift register held by the Energy Saving Trust and cannot be run wholly or partly on petrol or diesel.

For green vehicles in the £41.50 category: vehicles running on an alternative fuel as defined by the Powershift register held by the Energy Saving Trust but do not meet the criterion for a free permit.

The new charges will be:-

(i) no charge for electric vehicles for permits issued to a residential postal address for any period during the permitted hours in any period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month in which a permit first becomes valid;

(ii) forty one pounds and fifty pence for vehicles under 1200cc for permits issued to a residential postal address for any period during the permitted hours in any period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month

in which a permit first becomes valid;

(iii) eighty three pounds for vehicles between 1200cc and 2001cc for permits issued to a residential postal address for any period during the permitted hours in any period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month in which a permit first becomes valid;

(iv) one hundred and twenty four pounds and fifty pence for vehicles between 2001cc and 3000cc for permit at the same postal address for any period during the permitted hours in any period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month in which a permit first becomes valid; or

(v) one hundred and sixty six pounds for vehicles between 3001cc and 4000cc first permit at the same postal address for any period during the permitted hours in any period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month in which a permit first becomes valid;

(vi) two hundred and seven pounds and fifty pence for vehicles above 4000cc for permit at the same postal address for any period during the permitted hours in any period of twelve months running from the beginning of the month in which a permit first becomes valid;

A copy of the Notice can be inspected during normal office hours, Monday to Friday inclusive, until expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published, in the reception area of 263 Mare Street, London Borough of Hackney, London, E8 3HT. Further information may be obtained by contacting Parking on 020 8356 8888 or see [www.hackney.gov.uk/parkingchanges](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/parkingchanges)

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

## TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 CREMER STREET E8 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON THROUGH TRAFFIC

1. The Council of the London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that they have made make an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

(i) Close Cremer Street from its junction with Kingsland Road to its junction with Geffrye Street. (Alternative route will be available via Hackney Road, Waterson Street).

(ii) Close Nazrul Street at its junction Cremer Street. (Access to properties will be maintained)

2. This order is required to enable deliveries to new development.

3. The Order will come into operation on 21st May 2007 and will continue until the proposed works have been

completed with the maximum duration of 18 months. It is anticipated, however that the order will be required for approximately 3 weeks.

4. The temporary prohibitions will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

5. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

## TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 FOREST ROAD E8 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON THROUGH TRAFFIC

1. The Council of the London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that they have made make an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

(i) Close Forest Road from its junction with Kingsland Road to its junction with Rosebury Place. (Alternative route will be available via Dalston Lane, Queensbridge Road).

2. This order is required to enable bridge works to take place on Forest Road

3. The Order will come into operation on 21st May 2007 and will continue until the proposed works have been

completed with the maximum duration of 18 months.

4. The temporary prohibitions will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

5. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

## TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(2) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 (LEE STREET E8.) TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC

(1) The Council of the London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to a CRANE OPERATION at LEE STREET E8 they intend to make an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

(i) Close Lee Street at its junction with Kingsland Road and at its junction with Stean Street. (Alternative route available via Dunston Street and Stean Street).

(2) The restrictions will not apply to vehicles being used in connection within the said works and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

(3) The restriction referred to in sub- paragraph (i) above

will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonable practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.

(4) The Order will come into operation on 16 June 2007 and will remain in force until 16 august 2007.

(5) Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

## TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 LORDSHIP ROAD N16 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON WAITING BY VEHICLES IN

1. The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to CARRIAGEWAY WORKS ON LORDSHIP ROAD they intend to make an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

(i) Close south east Arm of Lordship Road at its junction with Stoke Newington Church Street. (Access available via north East Arm of Lordship, Yoakley Road, Bouverie Road and Grayling Road).

(ii) Close Lordship Terrace at its junction with Lordship Road. (Access to properties will be provided)

(iii) Close Lordship Grove at its junction with Lordship Road. (Access to properties will be provided)

2 The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police

Constable in uniform.

3 The restriction referred to above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.

4 The Order will come into operation on 21st May 2007 and will continue until the proposed works have been completed with the maximum duration of 18 months. It is anticipated, however that the order will be required for approximately 3 weeks. 5 Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)



NOTICE UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS AND RELATED ORDERS

EC2A

**NCP SHOREDITCH 35 GREAT EASTERN STREET LONDON EC2A 3ER** Use of the existing Car Park office as a mini cab booking office. Operating hours: 9am to 5am Thursday to Sunday. 2007/0605 Major Development

**54 56 GREAT EASTERN STREET LONDON EC2A 3QR** Installation of two air conditioning units (one on the Charlotte Road frontage and one on Great Eastern Street frontage). 2007/0926 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**24 HOLYWELL ROW SHOREDITCH LONDON EC2A 4JB** Erection of a first and second floor rear extension with roof terrace beyond at first floor level; alterations to rear window at third floor level to provide a pair of French windows leading to new roof terrace (on roof of 2nd floor extension). Translucent screen to the rear at 3rd floor level; alterations to the front. 2007/0780 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**152-154 CURTAIN ROAD LONDON EC2A 3AR** Installation of an externally illuminated fascia sign. 2007/0993 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**152-154 CURTAIN ROAD LONDON EC2A 3AR** Installation of a new Shopfronts. 2007/0753 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**481-483 KINGSLAND VIADUCT RELIANCE SQUARE LONDON EC2A 3EY** Demolition of existing lean-to-side addition in association with planning application reference: 2007/0702 for change of use to a mixed-use cultural, art and leisure facility and a restaurant together with the erection of single storey side extension. 2007/0997 Conservation Area Consent

**481-483 KINGSLAND VIADUCT RELIANCE SQ LONDON EC2A 3EY** Change of use of Railway Arches from B1 to provide a mixed-use cultural, arts and leisure facility comprising of (D1) art, gallery and exhibition hall with ancillary bar, (D2) Music and concert hall and (Sui Generis) theatre, nightclub and performance space uses (hours of operation: 08:00am to 12:00am Monday to Wednesday, 08:00am to 03:00am, Thursday to Saturday and 10:00am to 12:00am Sundays; and an (A3) restaurant (hours of operation 08:00am to 12:00am Monday to Saturday and 12:00pm to 12:00am Sundays). Erection of a single storey side extension to provide w/cs, lobby area and roof garden/terrace (hours of operation: 08:00am to 10:00pm) following demolition of existing lean- to-side addition.

E1

**176-179 SHOREDITCH HIGH STREET (GROUND FLOOR) LONDON E1 6HP** Variation of Condition 20(Delivery Hours) attached to planning permission reference 2005/0831 dated 14/09/2005 to allow deliveries between 06:00 hours and 20:00 hours Monday to Saturdays and between 09:00 hours and 16:00 hours Sundays and Bank holidays. 2007/0973 Major Development

**176-179 SHOREDITCH HIGH STREET LONDON E1 6HP** Variation of Condition 6(Opening Hours) attached to planning permission reference 2005/0831 dated 14/09/2005 to allow retail store to open between 06:00 hours and 23:00 hours Monday to Sunday including Bank holidays. 2007/0974 Major Development

E5

**105 LOWER CLAPTON ROAD LONDON E5 ONP** Variation of Condition 2 (Hours of operation) attached to planning permission South/665/00/FP to allow Hot Food Take-Away to operate between 08:00 hours and 02:00 hours (The following day) Monday - Saturday and between 09:00 hours and 23:00 hours Sundays and Bank Holidays. 2006/3456 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**83 LOWER CLAPTON ROAD CLAPTON LONDON E5 ONP** Installation of an internally illuminated fascia sign to an Automatic Teller Machine. 2007/1025 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**38 - 40 UPPER CLAPTON RD LONDON E5 8BQ** Demolition of existing buildings on the site and erection of 5 new buildings ranging between 3, 4, 5 and 6 storeys in height, comprising 1051 sq.m of new office space (Use Class B1) and 119 residential flats (including 55 affordable units), car parking, landscaping and new vehicular access to Upper Clapton Road & Casimir Road. 2007/0090 Major Development

E8

**260 - 268 KINGSLAND ROAD LONDON E8 4DG** Demolition of existing buildings and erection of a seven storey building (including basement) fronting Kingsland Road, an eight storey building (including basement) to the rear, together with refurbishment of existing building and erection of fourth floor roof extension to comprise 2328sqm B1 floor space 46 live/work units and basement car parking for 22 cars (amendment to planning permission 2003/2362) 2007/0692 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**260-268 KINGSLAND ROAD LONDON E8 4DG** Demolition of existing buildings and structures in conjunction with redevelopment except 264 Kingsland Road. 2007/0693 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**1 DUNN STREET STOKE NEWINGTON HACKNEY E8 2DG** Redevelopment of the site involving the erection of 4 new buildings of 3 and 4 storeys, comprising 1705sqm of office/workshop space (Use Class B1) and 27 residential units consisting of 1, 2 and 3 bed flats, 3 and 4 bed maisonettes (77% affordable housing), vehicular access to Dunn Street, landscaping, car parking and associated on-site works. 2007/0713 Major Development

**26-28 RAMSGATE STREET LONDON E8 2NA** Demolition of existing building and construction of part eight / part five and part four storey development comprising 52 residential units (18 x 1b, 17 x 2b, 12 x 3b and 5 x 4b) to include 26 affordable units ( 18 no. social rent and 8 no. intermediate) and 112 sqm of B1 commercial space plus 4 car parking spaces (disabled), bicycle and refuse storage. 2007/0553 Major Development

**THE OLD SHIP 2 SYLVESTER PATH LONDON E8 1EN** Conversion of first and second floors to provide short-term letting accommodation (C1) (9 x letting rooms with en-suite shower room facilities) and 2 x studio flats for use by management. 2007/0555 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**432-434 KINGSLAND ROAD LONDON E8 4AA** Erection of a roof extension to create an additional storey with external five staircases linking it to an existing external

staircase to provide for a new 2 bedroom self-contained flat. 2007/0961 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**542/544 KINGSLAND ROAD DALSTON LONDON E8** Conversion of upper floors of 542 and part of first floor of 544 into 4 self contained residential units comprising 1 x studio unit, 2 x 1 bedroom units, 1 x 3 bedroom units together with roof extension to provide an additional floor with rear dormer windows and front rooflights. 2006/3316 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**542/544 KINGSLAND ROAD DALSTON LONDON E8** External and internal alterations and erection of roof extension to facilitate conversion of upper floors into 4 self contained residential units. 2006/3318 Listed Building Consent (DNA)

**331 MARE STREET LONDON E8 1HY** Installation of a halo-lit fascia and projecting sign. 2007/0940 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**UNIT 8, 203-213 MARE STREET LONDON E8 3QE** Change of use to music rehearsal and recording studio together with the installation of Air Conditioning Units and sound proofing. Proposed operational hours are 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. 2007/1038 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

E9

**25 CHRISTCHURCH SQUARE LONDON E9 7HU** Installation of four solar panels to the front roof slope 2007/1062 Major Development

**HAMPDEN CHAPEL LAURISTON ROAD HACKNEY LONDON E9 7EU** Internal and external alterations to a Listed building including creation of a first and mezzanine floors; erection of rear staircase extension including new lift; alterations to windows and doors and new bin store. 2007/0927 Affects setting of a Listed Building (DNA)

**HAMPDEN CHAPEL LAURISTON ROAD HACKNEY LONDON E9 7EU** Internal and external alterations to a Listed building including creation of a first and mezzanine floors; erection of rear staircase extension including new lift; alterations to windows and doors and new bin store. 2007/0929 Affects setting of a Listed Building (DNA)

N1

**BANKSTOCK BUILDING 42 - 44 DE BEAUVOIR CRESCENT LONDON N1** Refurbishment of existing building, removal of existing roof extensions, erection of a 2 storey glass pavilion and the development of a 7 storey side extension to provide 2120sqm (Class B1) office, 18 residential units, 234sqm (Class A3/ A1/ B1/ D1) café/restaurant/ retail/ office/ art gallery flexible use, and 37sqm (Class A1) retail. 2007/0899 Major Development

**BANKSTOCK BUILDINGS 42 - 44 DE BEAUVOIR CRESCENT N1** Removal of existing North elevation entrance steps to approved application 2003/1259 and creation of new level entrance to enable wheelchair access. Installation of new glazed entrance door and glazed screen with PPC coated canopy. 2007/0410 Major Development

**FLAT 1A, 4/5 NIMROD PASSAGE LONDON N1 4BU** Retention of conversion of ground floor three bedroom flat to form 1 x one-bedroom flat and 1 x two-bedroom

flat including external alterations to rear elevation. 2007/0951 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**3-11 WENLOCK STREET LONDON - N1 7NT** Erection of one part 4, part 5 storey building and one part, part 9 storey building (27m high) plus basement level to provide 491sqm of B1 (office) floorspace at basement and ground floor level and 117 residential units, comprising 62 x 1 bed, 16 x 2 bed, 26 x 3 bed, 13 x 4 bed units together with 52 car parking spaces 18 motorcycle spaces and 65 bicycle storage spaces. (Revision to scheme approved on 1.6.05 ref: 2005/0293). 2007/0955 Affects Setting of a Listed Building

**67 UFTON ROAD, LONDON, N1 4HE** Erection of a rear roof extension. 2007/0956 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**16 UFTON GROVE, LONDON, N1 4HG** Demolition of side and rear extension in connection with erection of a side and rear extension of lower ground floor. 2007/1068 Conservation Area Consent

N16

**STOKE NEWINGTON SCHOOL CLISSOLD ROAD HACKNEY LONDON N16 9EY** Erection of two temporary classroom buildings within the school grounds. 2007/0820 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**130 STOKE NEWINGTON CHURCH STREET LONDON N16 0JX** Erection of a summer house in the rear garden to replace an existing summer house in the same location. 2007/0887 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**130 STOKE NEWINGTON CHURCH STREET LONDON N16 0JX** Demolition of a summer house in the rear garden with the curtilage of a Listed Building. 2007/0888 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**2F QUEEN ELIZABETHS WALK LONDON N16 0HX** Erection of a 4m high chain linked fence to the north east boundary (to the rear of the building). 2007/0938 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

**36 GILDA CRESCENT LONDON N16 6JP** Erection of a front, side and rear roof extension. 2007/0958 Major Development

*The Applications can be inspected between 8am and 6pm at Planning and Regeneration Reception, 263 Mare Street, London E8 3HT. They can also be viewed on the following website: www.hackney.gov.uk/planning Representations should be made in writing within 21 days to the Development Control Manager, Planning and Regeneration, Hackney Council, 263 Mare Street, London E8 3HT. All representations will be acknowledged in writing. DATE: 21 May 2007 Sue Foster, Head of Planning*

LICENSING ACT 2003 – NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

I **Naveed Mohsin** have applied to **Hackney Council** to vary the premises licence at:  
**Fresher Food and Wine 299 Old Street London EC1V 9LA** in order to make the following variation the licence:  
Supply of alcohol for consumption off the premises Monday to Sunday 00.00 until 00.00.  
Hackney Councils licensing register is kept at the office of the Licensing Service Dorothy Hodgkin House 12 Reading Lane London E8 1HJ where details of the applications may be inspected. The office hours are Mon – Friday 9am – 5pm.  
Any representations against the application must be made in writing and received by the Licensing Service at the above address by no later than the 4 June 07. Residents and businesses in the vicinity of the

premises or bodies representing such residents or businesses may make representations. The grounds on which the representations may be made are restricted to the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm. Representations cannot be made after the provisional statement has been issued. Copies of all representations will be sent to the applicant. It is an offence liable on conviction to a fine up to £5000 for an applicant to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application.  
**Dated: 21.05.2007**

LICENSING ACT 2003 – NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE

Notice is hereby given that I **Erdogan Gurgur** have applied to the **London Borough of Hackney** to vary a premises licence in respect of the premises known as **Ulas Social Snooker Club 70-72 Stoke Newington Road London N16 7XB** for the following Licenable Activities: Supply of alcohol for consumption on the premises from 11.00 to 02.00 on Sunday to Thursday and from 11.00 to 04.00 on Friday to Saturday  
Any person wishing to make representation in respect of the above activities may do so by writing to the Licensing Manager Licensing Service Dorothy Hodgkin House 12 Reading Lane London E8 1HJ by the 14 June 2007.  
A copy of the application is kept by the Licensing

Service Dorothy Hodgkin House  
12 Reading Lane London E8 1HJ. The application can be viewed Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5pm except bank holidays.  
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for making a false statement is a Level 5 fine on the standard scale.  
**Dated: 21.05.2007**

TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 WELLESLEY TERRACE N1 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON THROUGH TRAFFIC

1. The Council of the London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that they intend to make an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-  
(i) Close Wellesley Terrace at its junction with City Road (Access to property will be provided)  
2. This order is required to enable building works at Wellesley Terrace.  
3. The Order will come into operation on 28th May 2007 and will continue until the proposed works have been completed with the maximum duration of 18 months. It is anticipated, however that the order will be required for approximately 3 weeks.

4. The temporary prohibitions will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.  
5. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283  
**Dated: 21.05.2007**  
Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)

TEMPORARY NOTICE LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 WORDSWORTH ROAD N16 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION ON THROUGH TRAFFIC

1. The Council of the London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that they have made an order, the effect of which would be only at such times as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-  
(i) Close Wordsworth Road at its junction with Mathias Road. (Alternative route will be available via Cowper Road).  
2. The Order is required because carriageway works are being or are proposed to be executed on or near the junction of Wordsworth Road and Mathias Road.  
3. The Order will come into operation on 21st May 2007 and will continue until the proposed works have been completed with the maximum duration of 18 months. It

is anticipated, however that the order will be required for approximately 3 weeks.  
4. The temporary prohibitions will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.  
5. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the coordinator on 0208 356 8283263  
**Dated: 21.05.2007**  
Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)



LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEYHIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 90C DE BEAUVIOR AREA: SPEED CUSHIONS AND SPEED HUMPS TRO 202	
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the London Borough of Hackney, in accordance with the Section 90C of the Highway Act 1980 and the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1996, proposes the provision of speed cushions and speed humps into various roads as detailed in the attached schedule to this notice.	
Plans of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until 11th June 2007, in the reception area, 263 Mare Street, Directorate of Public Realm, London Borough of Hackney, London, E8 3HT. Further information may be obtained by contacting Traffic and Transportation on 020 8356 8283. Any objections to the above proposals should be sent by 11th June 2007 to this address.	
<b>Dated: 21.05.2007</b>	
Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)	
<b>SCHEDULE</b>	
Speed cushions - The speed cushions will be constructed and maintained to a maximum height of 90 millimetres and will be 3 metres in length. Cushions will be laid in sets of 1, 2, 3 or 4 of varying width as set out in the schedule below. On/Off ramps will be constructed at a gradient of 1:8	
Road	Description
Hertford Road	From a point 68m south from its junction with Downham Road extending southwards for 3 metres
Hertford Road	From a point 156m south from its junction with Downham Road extending southwards for 3 metres
Hertford Road	From a point 94 m north from its junction with Dowsham Road extending northwards for 3 metres
Hertford Road	From a point 37 m south-west kerbline from the common boundary wall of No.31 and No.33 extending south-eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 89 m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 166m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 199m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 258m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 271m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 299m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 309.5m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 74 m west from its junction with Kingsland Road extending westwards for 3 metres
Englefield Road	From a point 173 m west from its junction with Kingsland Road extending westwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 112.3m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 122m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 205m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 216m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 381m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 391m east from its junction with Southgate Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 72 m west from its junction with Kingsland Road extending westwards for 3 metres
Downham Road	From a point 139 m west from its junction with Kingsland Road extending westwards for 3 metres
De Beauvoir Road	From a point 45.50m south from its junction with Downham Road extending southwards for 3 metres
De Beauvoir Road	From a point 85.20m south from its junction with Downham Road extending southwards for 3 metres
De Beauvoir Road	From a point 152.95m south from its junction with Downham Road extending southwards for 3 metres
De Beauvoir Crescent	From a point 50m east from its junction with De Beauvoir Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
De Beauvoir Crescent	From a point 120m east from its junction with De Beauvoir Road extending eastwards for 3 metres
Bentley Road	From a point 24 m west from its junction with Kingsland Road extending westwards for 3 metres
Bentley Road	From a point 58 m west from its junction with Kingsland Road extending westwards for 3 metres
Bentley Road	From a point 19 m north from its junction with Tottenham Road extending northwards for 3 metres
Speed humps - The speed humps will be constructed and maintained to a maximum height of 90 millimetres and will be 3.7 metres in length with varying width.	
Road	Description
Culford Road	From a point 80 m south from its junction with Balls Pond Road extending southwards for 3.7 metres
De Beauvoir Road	From a point 25 m south from its junction with Tottenham Road 0extending southwards for 3.7 metres

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200* TRO 201		
1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under Section 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985(b), the Road Traffic Act 1991(c)	Culford Mews Culford Road De Beauvoir Crescent De Beauvoir Road De Beauvoir Square Downham Road	Entire length Entire length Entire length Entire length Entire length From its
2. The general effect of the Order would be to:  (a) Propose to introduce a 20mph zone into sections of the following roads listed in the schedule to the notice.		junction with Kingsland Road to its junction with Southgate Road Enfield Road Entire length
3. Copies of the Order, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the Order, in the reception area, 263 Mare Street, London Borough of Hackney, London, E8 3HT. Further information may be obtained by contacting Traffic and Transportation on 020 8356 8283.	Englefield Road	From its junction with Kingsland Road to its junction with Southgate Road
4. Any objections or other representations about either of the proposed Orders should be sent in writing to the Public Realm Directorate at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.	Hertford Road Lawford Road Mortimer Road Northchurch Road	Entire length Entire length Entire length From its junction with Kingsland Road to its junction with Southgate Road
<b>Dated: 21.05.2007</b>		
Tom McCourt Assistant Director (Public Realm) (The officer appointed for this purpose)		
<b>SCHEDULE</b>		
Road	Description	
Ardleigh Road	Entire length	Northchurch Terrace
Balmes Road	Entire length	Southgate Grove
Bentley Road	Entire length	St Peter's Way
Benyon Road	Entire length	Stamford Road
Buckingham Road	Entire length	Tottenham Road
Culford Grove	Entire length	Ufton Grove
		Ufton Road
		Entire length

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## OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION NO. – 2007/0014 - WOODBERRY DOWN

### Address of Proposed Development

Woodberry Down, London N4 2SB being the land bounded by – Green Lanes (excluding 254 – 336 Green Lanes), the New River (North) (excluding 331-337a Seven Sisters Road), 456-484 Seven Sisters Road, Newnton Close, New River (South), East Reservoir, Lordship Road, West Reservoir and the John Scott Health Centre, Green Lanes.

**Hackney Homes** is applying to the London Borough of Hackney for planning permission for the redevelopment of Woodberry Down. This is an Outline Application with layout, scale and access being determined at this stage.

### Description of Development

- demolition of existing buildings with the exception of St. Olave's Church, the Beis Chinuch Lebonos Girls School, reservoir centre, primary school and health centre.
- redevelop the site with –
- 4,644 homes, including 41 percent affordable, comprising:
  - 1-bed, 2-bed, 3-bed, 4-bed and 5-bed flats; and
  - 5-bed and 6-bed houses;
  - with associated car parking at an overall site provision rate of 50 percent;
- approximately 38,500m<sup>2</sup> of non-residential buildings and associated car parking, including:
  - 5194m<sup>2</sup> of retail buildings within classes A1-A5 including shops, cafes and restaurants;
  - 3144m<sup>2</sup> of class B1 business uses including offices;
  - 30,000m<sup>2</sup> of class C1, D1 and D2 uses including education, health centre, children's centre, community centres, youth centre;
- provision of new civic space, public parks, open space, landscaping of the edges of

the New River and the East and West Reservoirs;

- construction of bridges across the New river;
- reduced width of Seven Sisters Road from 6 to 4 lanes; and
- related improvements to the public realm;
- formation of new access points to the new Woodberry Down Neighbourhood,
- the creation of new, and improvement of existing, cycle and pedestrian routes to and within Woodberry Down.

The application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Given the size of Woodberry Down it is proposed that development will take place in five separate phases. This Outline Planning Application will guide the overall redevelopment. Details such as the appearance of buildings and material are not being assessed at this time, this will occur at a later stage when separate applications are fully considered for each of the five phases.

Members of the public may view the planning application and associated documents, and information of consultation events at –

- the Planning Reception, 263 Mare Street, London E8 3HT, Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm
- on-line at [www.hackney.gov.uk/planning-woodberrydown](http://www.hackney.gov.uk/planning-woodberrydown)

The consultation period for this application begins on 21 May and closes at 4.30pm on 18 June 2007. For telephone enquiries contact a Planning Case Officer on 020 8356 8059, 020 8356 8042 or 020 8356 8443.

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PUBLISH A FORWARD PLAN – 2007/08

In accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) Regulations 2000, notice is hereby given that:

Hackney Council will publish a Forward Plan on 17th May 2007 that will cover a four-month period from 1st June 2007. The Forward Plan contains a list of all key decisions that will be taken on behalf of the local authority during that time.

The published Forward Plan may be inspected in the following ways free of charge:

- By visiting the Town Hall in Mare Street, Hackney between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday
- Via the Council's web site at: <http://www.hackney.gov.uk/print/index.htm/xp-plans/l-forward-plan.htm>

The Forward Plan will be updated monthly and will be re-published as follows:

Date of publication	Period covered – four months from:
15 June 2007	1 July 2007
17 July 2007	1 August 2007
17 August 2007	1 September 2007
14 September 2007	1 October 2007
17 October 2007	1 November 2007
16 November 2007	1 December 2007
17 December 2007	1 January 2008
17 January 2008	1 February 2008
15 February 2008	1 March 2008

17 March 2008	1 April 2008
16 April 2008	1 May 2008

The Forward Plan will contain a range of information about the key decisions to be taken. This includes a list of the documents submitted to the decision makers for their consideration in relation to the decisions to be taken. Copies of, or extracts from, these documents may be obtained from the following address:

Services for Councillors, Hackney Council,  
Town Hall, Mare Street, Hackney, E8 1EA  
020-8356 3584  
[sfc@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:sfc@hackney.gov.uk)

However, it is not possible to supply copies of documents, or relevant extracts from them, where publication of the information is prohibited or restricted due to the confidentiality of the information contained within them.

It is possible that other documents, not yet referred to in the Forward Plan, may be submitted to the decision makers before the decision is taken. In order to check whether this has happened, and obtain copies of, or extracts from, these documents, the same address should be contacted.

**Dated: 21.05.2007**

Transport for London



### Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

**The A10 GLA Road (Kingsland Road, London Borough of Hackney) (Temporary Suspension of Bus Lanes) Order 2007**

1. Transport for London hereby gives notice that it has made the above named Traffic Order under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for the purpose specified in paragraph 2. The effect of the Order is summarised in paragraph 3.
2. The purpose of the Order is to enable works to take place on the A10 Kingsland Road in the London Borough of Hackney.
3. The effect of the Order will be to suspend the bus lanes on the A10 Kingsland Road situated:
  - 1) Southbound between Arbutus Street to Dunston Street
  - 2) Northbound between No.293 Kingsland Road to opposite the junction of Lee Street.
4. The order will be effective at certain times from 00.01 hours on Monday 21 May 2007 until 23.59 hours on Friday 16 May 2008 or when the works have been completed whichever is the sooner. The suspensions will apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.
5. The suspensions will not apply in respect of:
  - 1) any vehicle being used for the purposes of those works or for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes;
  - 2) anything done with the permission or at the direction of a police constable in uniform or a parking attendant.

**Dated this 21st day of May 2007**

**Nick Atkinson**

Road Network Management, Transport for London,  
Windsor House, 42-50 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0TL

MAYOR OF LONDON

Transport for London



### Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

**The A1202 and A5201 GLA Roads (Great Eastern Street and Old Street, London Borough of Hackney) (Temporary Suspension of Loading Bay and Bus Lane) Order 2007**

1. Transport for London hereby gives notice that it has made the above named Traffic Order under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 for the purpose specified in paragraph 2. The effect of the Order is summarised in paragraph 3.
  2. The purpose of the Order is to enable works to take place on A1202 Great Eastern Street and A5201 Old Street.
  3. The effect of the Order will be to suspend:-
    - (a) the westbound bus lane on A5201 Old Street situated between its junction with Great Eastern Street and its junction with Coronet Street; and;
    - (b) the loading bay located outside No. 84 Great Eastern Street.
- The order will be effective at certain times from 00.01 hours on Saturday 26th May 2007 and ending at 23:59 hours on Sunday 27th May 2007 and during the same times for every weekend until 23:59 hours on Sunday 1st July 2007, or when the works have been completed whichever is the sooner. The prohibitions will apply only during such times and to such extent as shall from time to time be indicated by traffic signs.
4. The prohibitions will not apply in respect of:
    - (1) any vehicle being used for the purposes of those works or for fire brigade, ambulance or police purposes;
    - (2) anything done with the permission or at the direction of a police constable in uniform or a parking attendant.

**Dated this 21st day of May 2007**

**Mark Prior**

Road Network Performance, Transport for London,  
Windsor House, 42-50 Victoria Street, London SW1H 0TL

MAYOR OF LONDON



## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



**DISC JOCKEY FACE OFF**  
26 May 8pm-3am. Sound Clash reunites the legendary pairing of British radio DJ David Rodigan and popular Jamaican radio pioneer Barry Gordon. Ocean, 270 Mare St, E8. Line up also includes G.T. Taylor, Chris Goldfinga and a bevy of contemporary street deejays. £25, tickets: 08707 602603.

**INVISIBLE MEND**  
24 May-24 Jun. Exhibition of film and related media by a group of young artists. Lounge, 28 Shacklewell Lane, E8. Thurs-Sun, 1-6pm, or by appointment. Info: [www.lounge-gallery.com](http://www.lounge-gallery.com)



**SPITALFIELDS TEA DANCES**  
Last Friday of the month from 25 May-26 Oct, 1-3pm. Music by the New Covent Garden Dance Orchestra. Crispin Place (off Brushfield St), E1. Free. Info: 020 7470 8736 or [events@shiningwit.co.uk](mailto:events@shiningwit.co.uk)

**RIO CINEMA**  
25 May for 2 wks. Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End (PG-13). Final instalment of the trilogy, Jack Sparrow and co make their final alliances for one last decisive battle. Rio, 107 Kingsland High St, E8. Info: 020 7421 9410, or [www.riocinema.org.uk](http://www.riocinema.org.uk)

**THE BROTHERS**  
Until 26 May, 8pm. Angie Le Mar's hit show, starring Richard Blackwood, Jason Barrett and Chucky Venice. What happens to friendship when faced with betrayal and deceit? Hackney Empire, 291 Mare St, E8. £10.50-16.50 (first night all tickets £10). Box office: 020 8985 2424. Info: [www.hackneyempire.co.uk](http://www.hackneyempire.co.uk)

**PARADISE GARDENS**  
26 & 27 May, 12-10.30pm. Community festival featuring music, street arts, carnival, circus, fireworks, design and dance. Victoria Park, E2. Free

(except Bassline Circus performances – £5). Info: [www.towerhamletsarts.org.uk](http://www.towerhamletsarts.org.uk)

**ON AETHER**  
Until 27 May. Exhibition by Athanasios Argianas and Nick Laessing, curated by Milika Muritu. Cell project Space, 258 Cambridge Heath Rd, E2. Open Fri-Sun, 12-6pm, or by appointment. Free. Wheelchair access. Call: 020 7241 3600 or [www.cell.org.uk](http://www.cell.org.uk)

**FEELGOOD**  
Until 27 May, Mon-Fri, 7.30pm. Sat-Sun, 6.30pm. Political satire by Alistair Beaton – a damning tale of a government run by spin-doctors and image gurus. Rosemary Branch Theatre, 2 Shepperton Rd, N1. £10/6 concs. Box office: 020 7704 6665, or [www.rosemarybranch.co.uk](http://www.rosemarybranch.co.uk)

**AFRICAN SNOW**  
29 May-2 Jun, 7.30pm (Wed & Sat mat 2.30pm). The epic story of Olaudah Equiano, one of the great heroes of the fight to abolish slavery, starring Israel Oyelumade. Hackney Empire, 291 Mare St, E8. £17.50-12.50. Box office: 020 8985 2424. Info: [www.hackneyempire.co.uk](http://www.hackneyempire.co.uk)

**THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE**  
30 May-1 Jun, 7.30pm, 3 Jun, 7pm. Charles Court Opera with the Eaton-Young Piano Duo present Gilbert & Sullivan's swashbuckling opera directed by John Savournin. Rosemary Branch Theatre, 2 Shepperton Rd, N1. £15 (£12 concs). Matinee 31 May, 2.30pm. £5. Box office: 020 7704 6665.

**COMBINED UNITY**  
Until 29 Jun. Large scale unique lfochrome photographs, created without a camera, film or digital intervention, by Jo Holland. Hoxton Hall's Windowspace, 130 Hoxton St, N1. Info: 020 7684 0060 or [www.hoxtonhall.co.uk](http://www.hoxtonhall.co.uk)

**PRELUDE ART FAIR**  
May-Dec 07. New public art initiative from Inspired Art and Spitalfields Estate that supports up and coming artists. Spitalfields, Market St (off Brushfield St), E1. Excellent opportunity to see and buy a huge variety of work. Free. Info: [www.spitalfields.co.uk](http://www.spitalfields.co.uk) or [www.inspiredartfair.com](http://www.inspiredartfair.com)

## COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

**CERAMIC WORKSHOPS**  
Tue, 6.30-9pm. 'Make it in clay, series of six workshops (15 May-19 Jun) aimed at beginners and people with previous experience. Passing Clouds Works, Richmond Rd (off Kingsland Rd), E8. £169 (incl. materials). Info: Fleur 07779 668 280 or [info@fleurwinter.com](mailto:info@fleurwinter.com)

**CALYPSO HERITAGE**  
31 May, 6-8pm. Free adult workshop covering the rhythm and beats of Africa to the Caribbean with Unity Mas Band. Hackney Museum, TLC, 1 Reading Lane, E8. Info: 020 8356 350.

**HACKNEY'S HIDDEN HOMES**  
30 May, 1.30-3.30pm. Half term family workshop reveals lots about Hackney's history by looking at how homes have changed inside and outside. The Building Exploratory, Albion Dr, E8. Free. Suitable for all ages, places limited. Bookings: 020 7275 8555. Info: [www.buildingexploratory.org.uk](http://www.buildingexploratory.org.uk)

**GEORGIAN SINGING WORKSHOP**  
23 Jun, 1-5.30pm. Introductory workshop led by Mark Thomas, all welcome - you don't need to be able to read music to take part. Stoke Newington N16. £15, limited places. Bookings/venue info: 020 8442 4149 or email: [f.rickford@gmail.com](mailto:f.rickford@gmail.com)



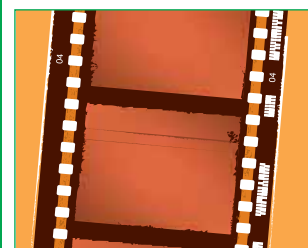
**ABNEY PARK CRAFT WORKSHOPS**  
Every Thurs, 1.30-4pm, until 14 Jun. Free workshops for adults, tree identification and green woodworking workshops, composting 101 classes and a basic introduction to habitat and woodland management. Abney Park, Stoke Newington High St, N16. Info: 020 7275 7557 or [www.abney-park.org.uk](http://www.abney-park.org.uk)

**FAMILY CYCLE CLUB**  
Every Sat until 7 Jul. Cycle training sessions run by STA Bikes. All ages and abilities, beginners especially welcome. Sir Thomas Abney School, Stamford Hill, N16. Booking essential. Info: 07828 154 598 or e-mail: [gailbristow@aol.com](mailto:gailbristow@aol.com)

**MUSIC TUITION**  
Beginners learn to play the songs you love in the comfort of your home. All instruments and styles including rock, pop, jazz, classical or folk, all ages welcome. Experienced tutors with references. Info: Ray 07877 123 370 or [www.music tutors4you.com](http://www.music tutors4you.com)

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

**ANIMAL T-SHIRT DECORATING**  
28 May-1 Jun, 1pm, 2pm & 3pm. Half term activities, explore your animal instincts with this T-shirt painting workshop for families. V&A Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Rd, E2. £3. 24hr info: 020 8980 2415 or: [www.museumofchildhood.org.uk](http://www.museumofchildhood.org.uk)



**FILM MAKING WORKSHOPS**  
28 May-1 Jun, 11am-4pm. For Hackney residents aged 13-19 who are available during May half term. MTR Studio 23, 23 Charlotte Rd, EC2. Free. Info or to reserve a place: 020 7729 2323.

**CURLY CATS**  
29 May, 10.30-11.45am. Creative activities for children aged 3+ and their carers. Geffrye Museum, Kingsland Rd, E2. Free. Info: 020 7739 9893 or: [www.geffrye-museum.org.uk](http://www.geffrye-museum.org.uk)

**THE DOLPHIN SWIMMING CLUB**  
Every Sat & Sun, 9.15am-

3.45pm. Lessons for children, small groups or individuals. The ULU Pool, Malet St, WC1. Info: Peter on: 020 8349 1844.

**RUGBY COACHING**  
Every Sun, 10-11.30am. Girls and boys aged 8+, no experience necessary. Shoreditch Park, New North Rd, N1. Free. Info: Richard Raynes: 07855 741 482.



**SPORTS ACTIVITIES**  
Squash, Wed, 4-6pm, and Volleyball, Fri, 4-6pm, for 11-15s. Britannia Leisure Centre, Hyde Rd, N1. Book at reception. Info: Lisa Krockel 020 8356 7443.

**PICASSO: HISTOIRE NATURELLE**  
Until 15 Jul, 10am-5.30pm. Exhibition of 31 prints from Picasso's graphic depictions of animals, birds, insects and other creatures. V&A Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Rd, E2. Free. Info: 020 8980 2415, or [www.museumofchildhood.org.uk](http://www.museumofchildhood.org.uk)

## HEALTH, SPORT AND FITNESS

**HERBAL MEDICINE AWARENESS WEEK**  
Health and herbal advice, blood pressure checks and more with local medical herbalist, Elsa Hamaz. 10am-5pm, 21 May, Hackney Central Library, TLC, Reading Lane, E8; 22 May, Homerton Library, Homerton High St, E9; 24 May, Stoke Newington Library, Stoke Newington Church St, N16. Info: [elsahamaz@btopenworld.com](mailto:elsahamaz@btopenworld.com)

**CARIBBEAN DANCE/FITNESS CLASSES**  
Tue, 6.30-8pm. For adults, learn dance routines, get fit and have fun. Stoke Newington School, Clissold Rd, N16. Info: 07730 469 713.

**SLIMMING WORLD**  
Every Thurs, 7pm. Learn how to enjoy food and still lose weight. All Saints Centre, Haggerston Rd, E8. Other groups and times starting soon. Info Gill: 020 7502 2603.

**AEROBIC CLASSES FOR OVER 50S**  
Mon, 1.30-2.30pm, Homerton Library, Homerton High St, E9. Tue 1-2pm, Wayside Community Centre, 24 Chatsworth Rd, E5. Info: Jean John 020 8986 7531.



**RUNNING CLUB**  
Starting soon in Hackney, new walking/jogging club to accommodate the larger sized lady, help to lose weight safely. Info: Olive 020 7923 0548.

**AGEWELL TAI CHI** Mon, 5.30-6.30pm. Lessons for people aged 50-65. CLR James Library, 24 Dalston Lane E8. Free for beginners. Info: 020 7241 5909.

## NOTICEBOARD

**BUSINESS START-UP**  
Free seminars and advice on starting your own enterprise at HBV Enterprise Centre, 34-38 Dalston Lane, E8. Dates and info: 020 7254 9595 or [www.hbv.org.uk](http://www.hbv.org.uk)

**ST AUGUSTINE'S TOWER**  
27 May, 2-4.30pm. Hackney's oldest building open to the public. Mare St (Narrowway), E8. Find out about the history of the building and climb the 135 stairs for the best view of Hackney. Disabled access to ground floor, includes a poster history of the building and Virtual Reality Exhibition. Info: [www.hhbt.org.uk](http://www.hhbt.org.uk)

**TURKISH SUMMER CULTURAL FETE**  
Until 3 Jun, 11am-8pm. Prize draws every day, bouncy castle, football and table tennis tournaments, traditional paintings, clothes, jewellery and crafts for sale and lots more. Clissold Park, N4. Free. Launch 26 May, 2pm.

**WORKING LINKS**  
Provides help to anyone who is aged 50+, a lone parent or receiving incapacity or health-

related benefits. It's voluntary, so won't affect your benefits. Info Natasha Wilson or Shevaun Carneiro: 020 8525 5409/5426.

**SHOREDITCH BUSINESS JUNCTION NETWORKING BREAKFAST**  
5 Jun, 8am. City Business Library, 1 Brewers Hall Gdn, EC2. £15 members, £28 guests. Info: Mark or Fiona 0845 450 1420 or [www.businessjunction.co.uk](http://www.businessjunction.co.uk)

**OPEN GARDEN SQUARES**  
9 Jun, 12-5pm. Enjoy the newly planted, award-winning woodland Newington Green, incorporating bronze objects that reveal the uniqueness of the historic area. Plant sales, booklets, music and a guided tour. Info/bookings: 020 7359 6027.

**CHINESE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION**  
Looking for Cantonese & Mandarin speaking volunteers - trainee counsellor and Helpline call attender - to join friendly, lively team. Info: 0845 122 8660.

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### ESTATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Call the Tenant Participation Team on 020 8356 7845 to check times and venues.